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MR CREECH JONES

COMMONS DEBATE ON MALAYA

Mr Creech Jones Admits Grave Situation

DISORDERS ARE CONDUCT OF GANGSTERS

London, July 8.—The British Government was faced with a grave situation in Malaya, the Colonial Secretary, Mr Arthur Creech Jones, said today. "We are acting with decision against the threat to Malaya", he said in opening a House of Commons debate on colonial affairs.

An attempt was being made by murder and violence to destroy order and authority there, to reduce the economic life to chaos by the murder of the European and Chinese managements and to create some other control of Malaya.

"I would say, particularly in view of the vilification of Britain and the wilful lies in regard to the Malayan situation which have been put across by Moscow, that this is not the emergence of a Nationalist movement which Britain is engaged in putting down."

"This is not a movement of the people of Malaya. This is the conduct of gangsters who are out to destroy the very foundation of human society and orderly life."

"We have no desire to create a Malayan police state. What we are doing is to arm the authorities with the necessary powers to cope with the violence which has become for some time a feature of life in that territory."

"The strong action taken by the Government has increased and fortified public confidence and the Services are co-operating to the full in the work necessary to quash this menace."

"We do not take this challenge lightly. We are determined that this evil in Malaya shall be eradicated and every step possible will be taken to destroy the gangsters and discover their sources of supply."

FULLEST POWERS

"The local Government is armed with the fullest powers to cope with any emergency now, and there has been no withholding."

Mr Walter Fletcher, Conservative, interrupted: "Does 'now' mean that they can do it on the spot?"

Mr Creech Jones: "Certain ordinances have been amended after consultation with the Colonial Office. But already before that consultation, the local Governments enjoyed con-

siderable powers. It was when they were asking for exceptional powers that the consultations became necessary."

Other points made by Mr Creech Jones were:

It is true that one witnesses in Malaya a conflict which is not unlike that going on in China itself. It would appear that the same kind of interests are involved in China."

"We are mobilising in all possible ways to defeat and destroy menaces in Malaya, and I think we are acting with firmness, with decision and with sternness."

In the past few years, the Government had tried in Malaya to overcome the difficulties which the war had left. It had tried to prevent famine and remove the economic uncertainties, to rehabilitate the common life of the people.

GOVERNMENT'S POLICY

"During the past few years also, we have tried to develop political institutions and a government based on the consent of the people of Malaya."

"We sought to improve the social conditions of the people, to build up an effective police force and a system of sound trade unionism."

"We have sought to restore conditions of an orderly life by cleaning up arms dumps and putting an end to intimidation and extortion of the population."

"I think it is worth while putting on record that Malaya is after all the only colonial area where no genuine anti-European movement has emerged since the war."

"Today the free Asiatic peoples are behind the Government at its efforts to restore an orderly life and secure the progressive development of the country."

"In our efforts to secure the conditions of good order in that territory, the courts have not been lenient in the administration of the law and there has been a very considerable number of detentions of people guilty of stirring up trouble and encouraging violence."

TRIBUTE TO LATE HC

In a tribute to the late High Commissioner of Malaya, Mr. Creech Jones said: "The nation has lost a great and distinguished public servant by the tragic death of Sir Edward Gent. No man has contributed more generously and devotedly to the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Malaya, to its political settlement and preparation for progressive economic advance."

"He possessed not only courage and integrity, but rare administrative qualities."

Mr Leonard Gammans, Conservative, who has had considerable experience of the Far East, said he was not in the least satisfied with what the Colonial Secretary had said.

He could not see why the Colonial Secretary did not say that the terrorism was Moscow-inspired and Communist in origin.

It was part of a worldwide Russian attack against Britain. Its main object was to disrupt the production of tin and rubber, the main dollar earners of the sterling area.

The Government was "caught completely napping." Could it satisfy the House that the local administration had been really energetic in its searches for arms over the past year?

Why were the reserves of the Malaya Regiment called up only yesterday instead of two months ago?

Was it true that planters were told to form groups and defend themselves, but were informed that they must provide arms at their own expense?

TOO LATE, TOO LITTLE

Mr Walter Fletcher, Conservative, who is a rubber merchant, said the Government stood "firmly and squarely" condemned for the delay. It was a question of "too late and too little."

The Jews said in Tel-Aviv that the Arabs already had started agitating using planes, tanks and armoured cars. They said the Egyptians took the offensive south of Tel-Aviv.

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Compton Saves England In Test Again

Denis Compton of Middlesex again came to England's rescue yesterday, in the first innings of the third Test against the Australians.

Although badly injured on the head shortly after going in to bat, Compton, after having stitches put in, and testing himself at the nets, resumed his innings just before the tea interval and went on to score 64 not out.

With Evans, he added 75 in 70 minutes for a seventh wicket partnership, and England finished the day 231 for 7 wickets after losing half the side for 119. Full description and scores on Page 6.

Electric Power Cuts In Berlin

More Deprivations

Berlin, July 8.—Berlin's two million western sector residents were warned today of more heavy electricity and public transport cuts, despite the gigantic Allied food and coal air lift to break the Soviet blockade, which today entered its third week.

The three Western Military Commandants announced early today the complete closing of the "S-Bahn" (Berlin's elevated railway) from midnight tomorrow, and the halting of trams and underground trains from 6 p.m. daily.

Electricity for industrial users will be cut again and street lighting reduced by 75 per cent. Occupation, Municipal and medical authorities must use less electricity and domestic consumers will get their power allocations at different hours.

Colonel Frank Howley, the American Commandant, said the present food rations would be maintained. "It is recognized that despite the greatest air lift in peacetime history, with the limited airfields available the air lift cannot at present meet all the requirements of the people of Berlin," he said.

The three Military Governments had decided to maintain the food rations and sacrifice coal, making the new electricity cuts inevitable, he said.

OFFER TO RUSSIANS

London, July 8.—The United States, Great Britain and France have offered to reopen talks with the Russians on all questions regarding Berlin if the Soviets lift the blockade of that city at once, well-informed sources said today.

"At the same time," a Foreign Office spokesman disclosed, "all reparations shipments to Russia from the Western Zones of Germany had been stopped."

The offer to talk over the entire Berlin situation was contained in a parallel note which the three Western Allied powers sent Russia on Tuesday, demanding that the blockade be ended.

It is a positive proposal in the notes, which also repeated the legal right of the Western powers to share in the occupation of Berlin, their determination not to be forced out by Soviet threats, and the fact that Berlin is an international zone and not part of the Russian Zone of Germany.—United Press.

PALESTINE WAR ON AGAIN

Cairo, July 8.—The Palestine war was on again tonight. The United Nations mediator gave up hope of stopping it. Instead, he tried to spare Jerusalem's holy places from destruction.

Count Folke Bernadotte of Sweden, the mediator, announced at his Rhodes headquarters the "war is on again."

The truce, officially expires at 5 a.m. GMT on Friday. The Jews agreed to extend the truce 30 days but the Arabs refused.

The Arabs flashed orders to their soldiers to prepare for action when the truce ends. The Secretary-General of the Arab League, Abdel Rahman Azzam Pasha, said the Arab nations are passing through a big test.

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Britons Must Save Electricity

London, July 8.—The Labour Minister, Mr George Isaacs, told the House of Commons today that shops, offices, warehouses, hotels and theatres must join factories in reducing their electricity consumption of 20 percent during the peak hours next December, January and February.

Last year, only industrial plants came under compulsory reduction—it was then 33 1/3 percent. The peak hours are 8 a.m. to noon and 4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Mr Isaacs said that the regional industrial boards and the local authorities would decide the best means to reduce consumption. Last year a number of firms instituted night shifts to meet the target.

Consumption must be cut because Britain has not restored sufficient generating equipment to meet a peak demand since the war.—United Press.

Schoolchildren Heading Here

Bangkok, July 8.—About 400 Chinese children left Bangkok for China to attend schools in Hongkong, Shanghai, Canton and other centres, the Chinese Consulate-General stated today.

It was officially announced today also that 100 Chinese primary schools in Bangkok had been reopened by permission of the Ministry of Education.

The Siamese Government closed a number of Chinese schools recently for alleged violation of the Government's regulations.—Router.

Union Chief Killed In Jungle Fight

Singapore, July 8.—A jungle patrol shot and killed Tan Kan, President of the Johore Rubber Workers Union, in a gun battle with Malayan terrorists today.

Tan Kan, armed with a rifle, was trying to escape into the jungle with other gunmen after opening fire on troops and police in Sakari, north Johore.

The patrol returned the fire, killing Tan Kan and another of the gang after a British officer had been slightly wounded in the shoulder.

Police and British troops, preparing to hunt bandits from remote jungle and swamp hideouts, were being reinforced by Malay Regiment reservists, who were ordered back to the colours three weeks ago.

A Chinese Kuomintang (Government Party) supporter was murdered last night in Nyor, central Johore. Four bandits, armed with Sten guns and pistols, shot him in cold blood, as he pleaded for mercy.

In the last 10 days, 27 persons, mostly Chinese, have been murdered by the terrorists. Nine bandits have been killed and many more arrested in the same period.—Reuter.

Friendship Treaty

Manila, July 8.—The Philippine Ambassador to the United States, Joaquin M. Elizalde, has been instructed to contact the Pakistan Ambassador in Washington and open negotiations for a Philippine-Pakistan Treaty of Friendship, it is learned today.—United Press.

EDITORIAL

It All Rests With China

NO Nanking propagandist could have over-simplified the subject of China's economic and currency situation in relation to Hongkong so subtly as Mr John Powell's China Economist. Everything boils down to this: if Hongkong had prevented the flight of Chinese capital to the Colony, China's currency would never have suffered its inflationary spiral, and if Hongkong had fully implemented the Sino-British Anti-Smuggling Agreement, China's economy would like everything in the garden be rosy. We are assured not to bother about first causes, or to worry about fixing the onus for future action. The China Economist, by inference at least, has done both, the answer being that Hongkong is the primary cause, and upon Hongkong must rest the onus for correcting China's existing position. The truth, indeed, is precisely the opposite. The cause of China's economic and financial malady is the proved, inability of the Chinese Government to conduct the affairs of the nation in such a manner as to win the confidence of commerce, industry and finance. The flight of capital to this Colony is not denied; but it was no Machiavellian plot on the part of Hongkong that lured it here. It would have flown elsewhere if this place had not represented some degree of stability and confidence not to be found in Shanghai. To a certain extent Hongkong has now become embarrassed by the continuous influx of new capital, although, it may be observed, it amounts to nothing like the astronomical total which lots of people in Shanghai like to imagine. And be it noted, there are signs that much of this money is leaving Hongkong as quickly as it arrives; in short the Colony, like Macao, has become a channel and not a repository.

The China Economist wants action to be taken to prevent the flow of capital from Shanghai to this end, but surely that is the duty of the Chinese authorities? The most practical way of achieving this is for China really to stabilise her currency, genuinely control her commodity prices, positively to encourage trading under reasonable conditions, effectively, on her part, to implement the anti-smuggling agreement. A one-way implementation is not enough, but that is what it is amounting to at present. Official figures conclusively show that smuggling out of Hongkong into China is less than it was a year ago and if the control has reached the dimensions which the China Economist regards as the minimum, it is suggested that the answer might be found in the fact that China has not yet been willing to carry out fully her share of the agreement. Moreover, it is a novel, and quite untenable proposition that Hongkong is exclusively the cause of the deprecating exchange value of the Chinese national currency. A flight of capital can have some effect in this direction, but the real causes are much more fundamental and varied, and are to be traced to the general misconduct of a nation's affairs. Hongkong has no shortage of sympathy for the Chinese who are suffering so acutely from the country's economic plight, but to suggest that Hongkong alone can save China from herself reveals an unbalanced sense of perspective and an unrealistic appreciation of cause and effect. Hongkong will do what is possible to help her neighbour, but in the final analysis China's salvation rests in her own capacity to bring about permanent political, social and economic reform.

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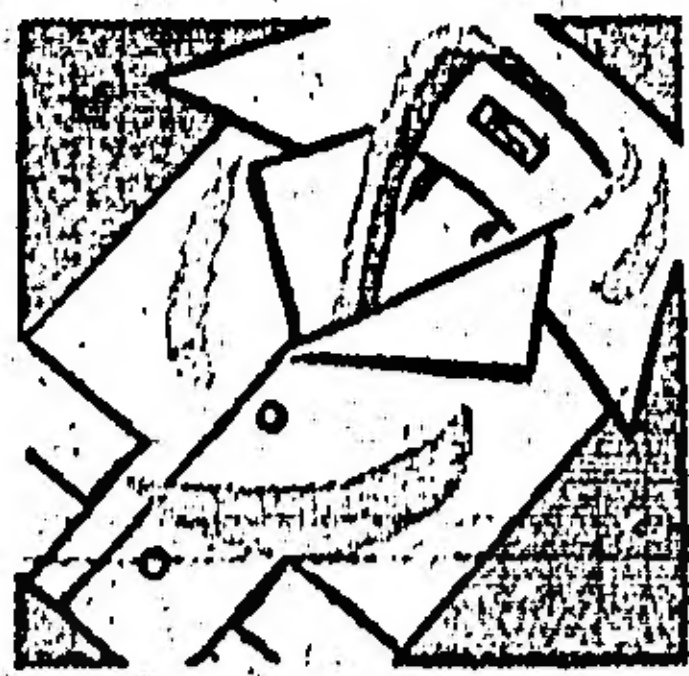
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A Word
To The Junior Miss . . .

CONCENTRATE on these rules during your vacation. You'll be fit for Autumn and school!

Do you grab your toast as you rush out? It's a mistake which you will pay for with a jumpy stomach and frayed nerves. Get up in time to eat a complete well balanced breakfast. Don't rush, chew your food well.

Do you "stuff"? If you do you will have curves in the wrong places, better known as "bulges". You will be "bustled" out all over! Eat at the proper times and eat the correct foods for a well proportioned figure and a clear skin.

Do you start the day with a lemon or orange juice drink or both? It's one of the healthy ways to keep "peppy". And remember, a dull, listless "droop" never makes good with the stag-line.

Are you as sweet to be near as you appear? How about that daily bath or shower? A clear skin comes from cleanliness. Mild soap and warm water and lots of rinsing is the way to skin beauty.

Does your hair look like a hank of old sawed? Your hair is your crowning glory — or should be! Polish your crown by regular shampooing, brushing and by using lemon rinses if you are a blonde. Are your teeth solid? Square fare is what you need! Well balanced meals and lots of Vitamin C will lead to good Ivories!

What plans for your hands? They are the Ambassadors of Good Grooming. Keep them soft and smooth, nails well manicured by YOU. Use hand lotion. Use lemon to bleach "spots".

You will cramp your style if you cramp your toes! Happy feet and a happy face go together. Wear shoes, socks and stockings that fit. Read in a light that's right. Direct light over your left shoulder, never in your face. Give your eyes a break for your future's sake!

Here is some information for the girl who suffers from pimples, blackheads and acne conditions. In cases of "problem skins" there must be no neglect of the scalp as it is often the cause of skin eruptions. The diet plays an important part. You must not eat rich, fatty foods. You cannot diet one day and not the next.

Soap emulsion and the modern form of sulphur cream do more to clear the skin than anything else. Ask at your cosmetic counter or drug store for such preparations.

Pimples and blackheads must not be squeezed or pressed out. This causes further infection. If a pimple or blackhead, which has festered, must be pressed out, wrap fingers with clean cotton. Press gently, then apply alcohol, witch hazel or peroxide.

Face powder must be used very lightly and applied with a piece of clean cotton. Use NO rouge, and not too much lipstick.

Your physical health must be guarded. Lots of exercise, lots of sleep, fresh air and relaxation will aid in clearing the skin. Fresh air and exercise make for glowing skin and bright eyes.

TENNIS
TOGA

She is a 22-year-old tennis starlet from America, and her outfit, which started the "toga" craze, was simply a short straight skirt (made exactly like a man's shirt) worn outside and belted in at the waist.

American craze for these "Tennis Togas" started this season. They have them made up in men's shirts — striped or plain — and wear them over very brief shorts in the same material.

Gloria's Tennis Togas (she has two) are in heavy white cotton which looks like linen. They button through the front, have a slit at the back instead of the sides.

Watch out for them at Wimbledon.

Anne Edwards

Around The
Town

with Mercia
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WHEN I called unexpectedly on Mr. Justice Gould in his study this morning for an informal chat, I had the feeling that he'd have been much happier to talk to me with his wife on. But as there wasn't even a curl of it in sight, he resigned himself to answering a few personal questions. Mr. Justice Gould will be acting Chief Justice for a short while after Mr. Justice Williams leaves for home on Sunday. He has two daughters, Josephine and Diana, attending the King George V school here, and his friends know that he plays a jolly good game of tennis, loves classical music and is very fond of detective novels; preferring those of two great women writers, Agatha Christie and Dorothy Sayers.

Another interesting fact about Mr. Justice Gould is that he finds life in court amusing enough to keep a scrap book of stories and unusual incidents which, he said, make his work far from dull. Although the Chinese as a rule lose their traditional sense of humour when in the dock, treating this side of the law with the utmost gravity, funny situations do crop up quite often.

Mr. Justice Williams, speaking on the same subject, thinks a lot of humour is wasted in interpretation, and wit does not find a happy medium for expression in local courts. He will be leaving by air on Sunday to join his wife in Surrey where they will spend a six month vacation. Mr. Justice Williams hopes to be back in Hongkong in January.

About twenty young people are taught some branch of dressmaking at the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club every morning. At a nominal fee of \$10 a month, they have a qualified instructor and three sewing machines at their disposal.

A central branch of the Vocational Training Centre at Shaukiwan, the purpose of these classes is to give young folk a start in life, and pupils may be girls just out of school, young housewives, or even servant girls who are sent by their mistresses.

They bring their own materials and are allowed to decide what they wish to learn. Many are keen on baby clothes, others simply study embroidery and it is a pleasure to see how neatly some of these garments are finished off.

BANANA DOG

CLEVELAND — As long as Buddy gets plenty of bananas, he does a pretty good job of being a watchdog.

Buddy is a white English setter who does lookout duty for C. Commella, Inc., a produce warehouse. About five years ago, he started to take his pay in bananas.

"We got tired of paying them for him," Commella said, "so we just tossed him whole bananas and let him worry about peeling them."

"You know what? The darned dog solved the problem in a month and now he peels 'em as well as I."

Buddy is now seven years old and would eat bananas all day if he had his way. "But we hold him to six a day, with some pork chops thrown in," Commella said.

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Pixie O'Scowl Had a Big Job

—He Had to Give Each Flower a Name—

By MAX TRELL

"NAMES, names, names!" Pixie O'Scowl exclaimed to Knarf, the shadowy boy. "You can't imagine how many of them I have to make up!"

"What kind of names?" Knarf asked.

Pixie O'Scowl, who was sitting on a little pebble on the other side of the garden wall, now stood up and pointed across the meadow. "You see all those daisies?" he said.

Knarf said he did.

"They all want names!" said Pixie O'Scowl. "There are hundreds and hundreds of them," said Knarf in astonishment. "You mean each of them wants a separate name? They're all Daisies, aren't they? Isn't that their name?"

Sat Down Sadly

Pixie O'Scowl sat down sadly on the pebble again. "Daisy is their name all right. But it isn't enough. It's like calling folks who walk around on two legs, People. How would you like it, just to be called People?"

Knarf had to admit that he wouldn't like it.

"And then there are the Clovers," Pixie O'Scowl went on. "They want separate names, too. And of course, there are the Buttercups, and Black-eyed Susans, and Wild Roses, and Jack-in-the-Pulpits, and Tiger Lilies, and Dandelions — and I can't begin to tell you how many others. They all want names, too."

"How are you going to be able to think of so many?" asked Knarf. Pixie O'Scowl didn't seem to hear the question. "The Tadpoles and the Sparrows and the Robins and the Grasshoppers and the Butterflies and the Bees also want names."

How to Select Perfume



Lily-of-the-Valley is a good choice for a summer perfume. Pat it on wrists, neck.

By HELEN FOLLETT

PERFUME is the queen of cosmetics. It is the aristocrat of them all. It does not put pristine loveliness on the complexion, it doesn't keep your hair in curl; it doesn't serve in the way of rejuvenation when youthful appearance is waning. But it does impart a grand and glorious feeling of elegance that makes it worth its costly price per ounce.

The perfume trade is booming. Look around you at any perfume counter! Lovely wrappings, pretty ribbons, cute little crystal bottles. No wonder a woman digs into her purse, brings up the last cent to lug home a vial of scented happiness.

Many laws have been laid down concerning the selection of scents. A few of them seem reasonable enough. For instance, the blonde lovely should use a delicate fragrance that suits her golden tresses and fair complexion. Brunettes are entitled to heavier blends, if they like them. Outdoor girls will naturally select crisp, woody odours.

Romantic young things will prefer subtle blends that they fancy will appeal to the beau who is rushing them.

The most popular offerings are bouquets. Also, new perfumes, while not strong, have longer lasting qualities than in the old days. Some of the names they carry mean, simply nothing as to their relationship to flower gardens, but who cares, as long as they have allure?

One warning: It is a mistake to switch perfumes. To put a scent on a frock that already carries a delicate aroma is to kill both of them. Find a favourite, and don't change. Keep it in an atomizer; that is an excellent means of conservation. After bathing, spray your throat and chest. The warm flesh will cause the alcoholic content to evaporate, only the flowery element will be left.

Keep the atomizer in a dark place; perfume is affected by light. See that it is tightly stoppered.

KITCHENETTE

DROP COOKIES

LaVerne Andreassen, sous-chef, Aunt Peggy's favourite, drop cookie recipe. Aunt Peggy agrees with her that they are delicious.

- 1 cup lard or vegetable shortening
 - 2 cups brown sugar
 - 2 eggs
 - 2 teaspoons soda
 - 2 teaspoons cream of tartar
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 1 teaspoon lemon flavouring
 - 3½ cups flour
- Mix in the usual way. Chill and shape in soft balls and press with fork. Bake at 400 degrees until brown.

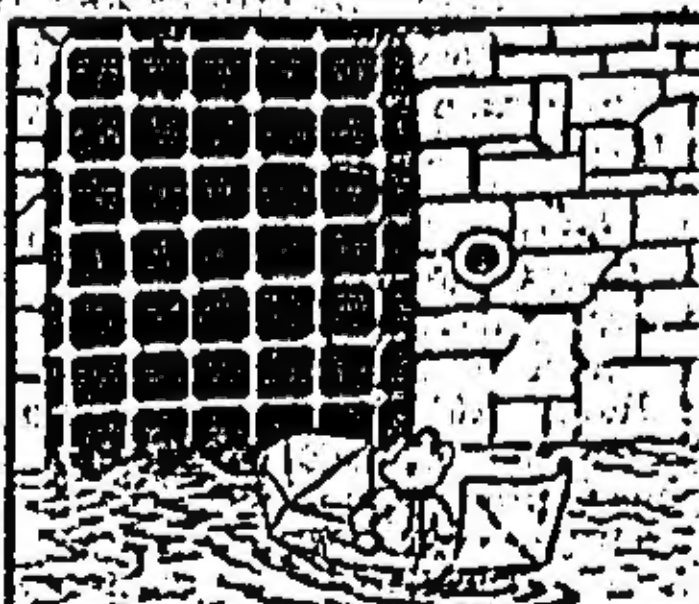
Teeth And Hair

Scientists say teeth and hair are similar in structure. A word pertaining to hair, "queue," and the word "tooth" also are similar in structure. Each contains five letters of which two are used twice.

Handy Letters

The letters U and W were invented to take a heavy load off the shoulders of the letter Y. Had there been only the Y the word "unwoven" would be spelled "unvvoven".

Rupert's Island Adventure—33



To Rupert's great relief, he finds that the new boat bears his weight without sinking, though it rides low in the water. He gently unties it and pushes off and wonders what will happen next. The dwarf and Willie run upstairs to watch his progress from the window. But Rupert finds that there is hardly any progress. There seems to be much less wind down here, the calls as he drifts very slowly away from the tower. "Thank goodness I'm keeping afloat, anyway," ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

RED RYDER



War Talk



By Fred Harman

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



INTERNATIONAL ICE PATROL—The crew of a U.S. coast guard cutter watch interestedly as an ice patrol plane skims over an iceberg near steamer lanes in the North Atlantic. Combined land and sea operations are part of the International Ice Patrol, which keeps a look-out for icebergs and warns approaching vessels.



NATURE GIRL—Fernande Sauber is Luxembourg's "Nature Girl." She goes swimming daily, "rain or shine," in this home-town pool.



DETOUR—Following increased Russo-American tension, the U.S. military authorities have closed all roads in the Grunewald woods near the home of Soviet big-wig, Marshal Sokolovsky. Americans hiking or hunting in this area have been reported shot at without warning. Here two U.S. military policemen turn back a GI attempting to enter the restricted area.



GANDHI'S SON—Devadas Gandhi, son of the late Mahatma Gandhi and editor of the Hindustan Times, arrives in Berlin with his wife. He is touring Europe to make a study of postwar conditions on the Continent.



FAIRY GODPARENTS—Mr. and Mrs. Gerard van Barkaloo Hale of Santa Barbara, "fairy godparents" who "adopted" the war-wrecked village of Maille, France, in 1946, were given a warm welcome when they made their first visit to the grateful little hamlet. The American couple, who gave food, clothing and equipment, are here seen walking beneath a welcome sign on their tour of inspection.



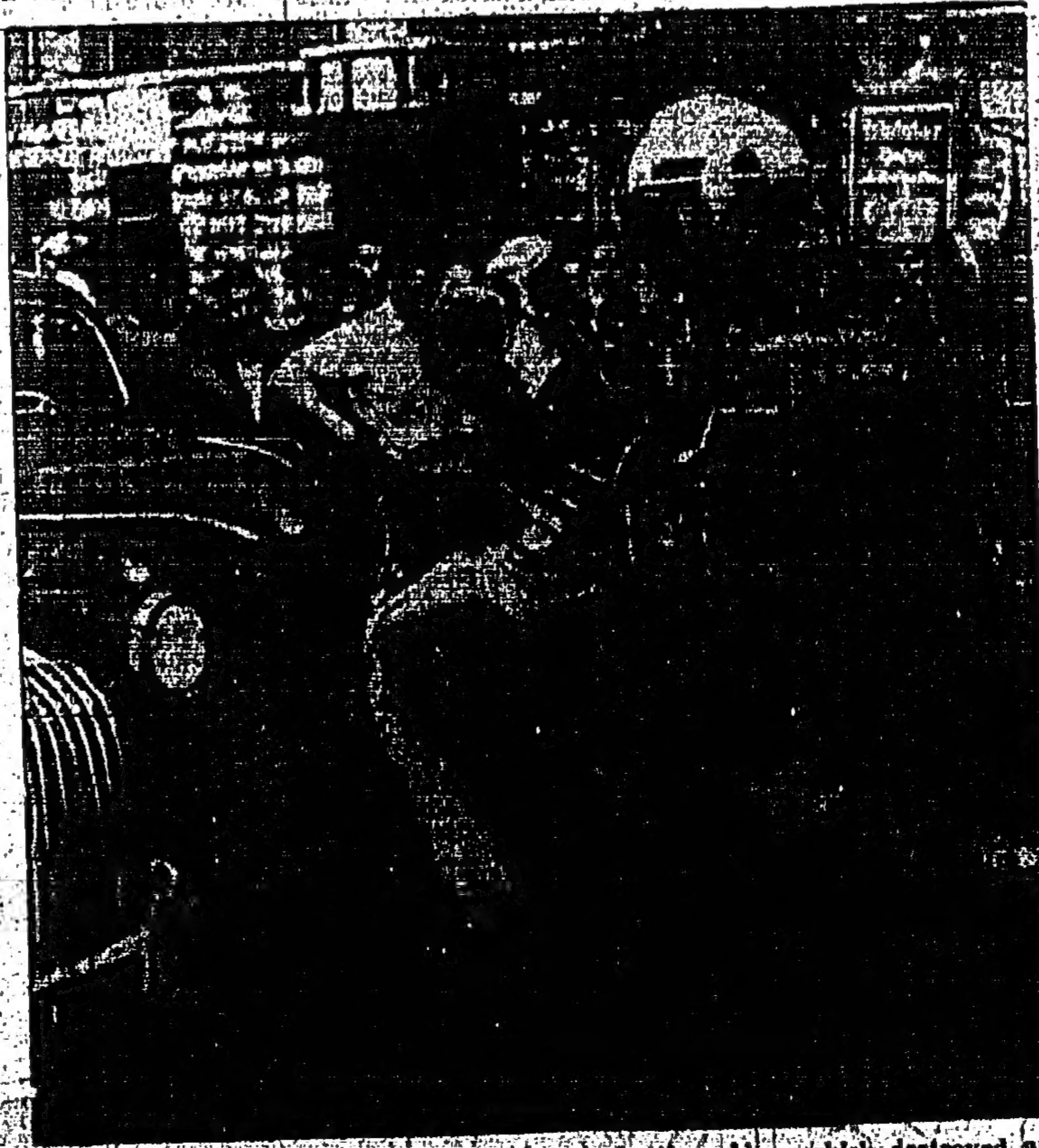
ALPS OR VENICE?—The Alps look almost the same as Venice these days with yodellers calling to each other from rowboats instead of the traditional mountain peaks. Flood waters have covered the countryside in this view of Grenoble, in the French Alpine region, as the swollen Isere River breaks through "its barriers," cascading over farms and forests alike.

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AND THE FIRE RAGED ON—Rushing to battle a blaze which destroyed an old church building in Chicago, this fire engine crashed into a car at an intersection. Only two firemen were slightly injured, but the fire truck seems to have lost its bumper.



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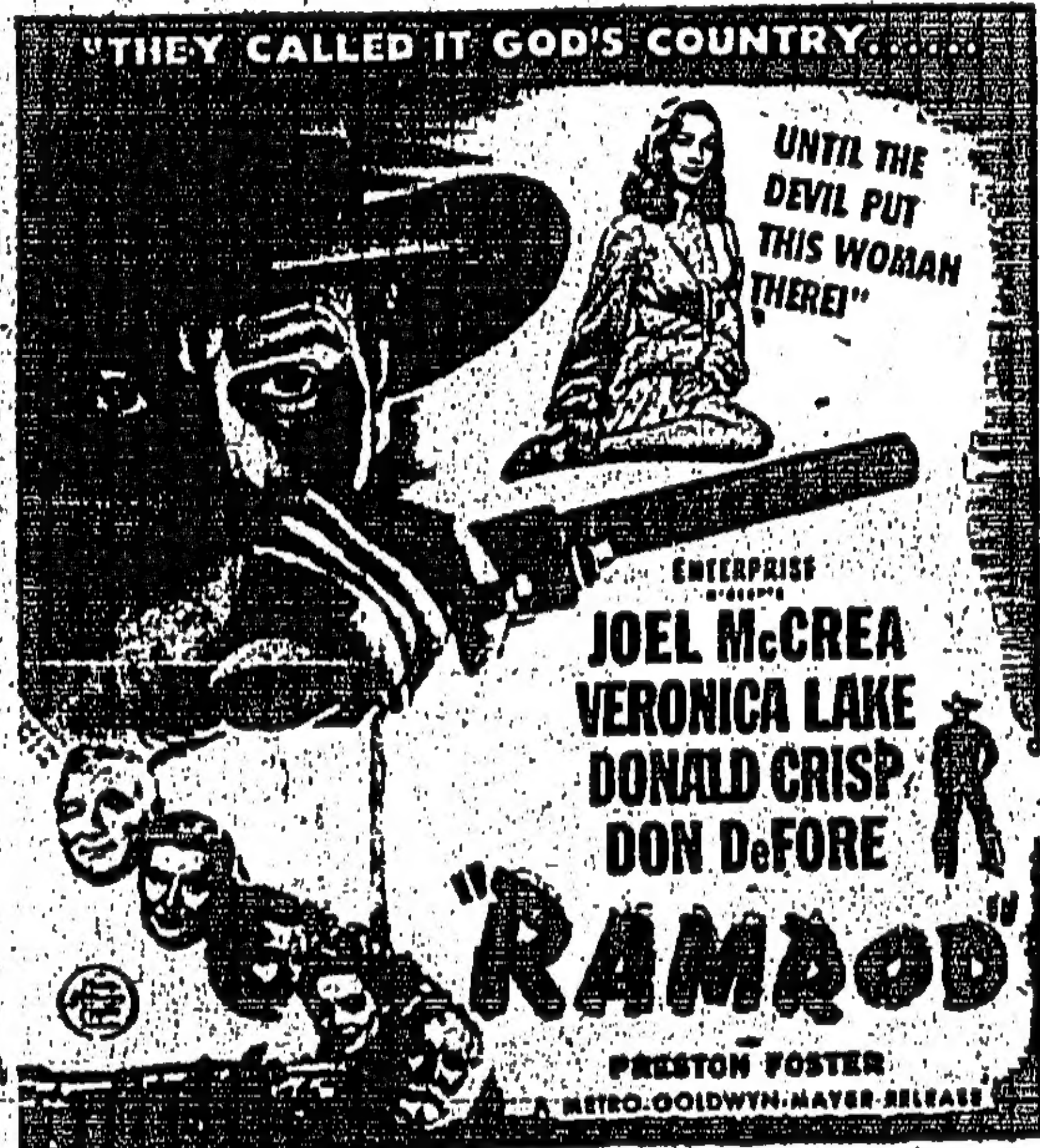
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A new kind of hotel for the motorist

by RICHARD McMILLAN

THE latest word in American motoring is "motel," a name coined for the motor hotels which have sprung up all over the United States to add still more pleasure to the joys of the open road in a country which was already a land of delight for the motorist.

These motor hotels have mushroomed by thousands in every part of the union, and during a three weeks' trip I made in a jeep station wagon from the Pacific to the Atlantic I had a chance of the delights of living in these new-type wayside inns.

Imagine speeding along a broad concrete highway on your way across the States.... You

approach a town and on the outskirts you see a "motel," which is neither an hotel nor a roadhouse, but a group of bungalows fitted up with every modern convenience.

Drive in, park your car in the garage adjoining one of the cottages, and walk into your guest-house. There you will find unbelievable luxury.

The motel came into existence to meet the difficulty that American drivers found in obtaining hotel accommodation in the big cities, where parking was also a vital problem.

The idea was to save the time spent by drivers arriving tired and vainly seeking an hotel room.

Motels are today to be found on the approaches to any big town and popular resort from one end of the continent to the other, and that includes Canada.

On the famous Malahat highway, 20 miles from Victoria, a flickering sign on the roadside proclaiming, "Steam heat, clean sheets, every comfort," caught the eye.

Below, another sign blazed, day and night, announcing "Vacancy," or "No Vacancy."

This was our first motel—a toy-town of midget houses, all freshly painted in different colours.

Given a choice

Some gleamed with an immaculate white—coating—others were daubed orange and yellow and pink and ochre. Rose-red tiles on the roof, too.

Colour and still more colour—that's the magic which attracts custom, so they believe there. Colour and modernism.

A broad drive from the highway led through pine trees to the town.

We drove in and were given the choice of a dozen cottages. As we manoeuvred the car into the garage the caretaker explained:

"There you have one of the many advantages of the motel. You don't have to bother about unloading all your luggage as you do in an hotel."

"Just take out what you require and then it's easy to make a quick start next morning. And think of the money saved in tips to bell-hops and hotel porters."

A log fire blazed in the neat sitting-room of our bungalow, and the refrigerator stood in the tiled kitchen, the electric cooker had only to be turned on—the radio, too.

The bedroom was spotless, and adjoining it was the bath-

room, with boiling water electrically heated.

Everything was complete—pots and pans, knives and forks, and cups and tumblers; milk delivered to the door—quarts of it. And to buy your food you had only to cross the highway to the village store to get anything you wanted—steaks, ham, butter, cheese.

We stayed for several days, and were given a special weekly rate.

For millionaires

In the States we found some of the motels were dearer, but on the whole they lived up to their claims to be cheaper than hotels.

Some motels are ultra-luxurious, ultra-picturesque. Near Hollywood we found one which was in the millionaires' category.

Overlooking the Pacific, the motel offered the alternative of sea-bathing or swimming in the private pool into which fresh sea water poured day and night. In the morning, you were awakened by a radio-clock, which started the day with music.

After a swim, you had a choice of going to the hills to fish, for which, a guide, was available; if you sought diversion in sea cruising, yachts and motor-boats were ready for hire.

Cooking? You sent out to a nearby restaurant, or a cook came in to do the job on the premises.

Orange groves

Fruit for dessert? You had merely to lean out of the window. The background to the motel was a rich orange grove. The orange groves of California are favourite settings for motels. The trees afford shade and privacy and, of course, colour.

As well as the motels, we tried the trailer camps which are used by the motoring caravanners.

The camps provide electricity for the caravans, and there are communal washhouses with hot showers. In some we found automatic washing machines.

JET FIGHTERS USE RADAR

By CHARLES GARDNER
BBC Air Correspondent

BRITAIN'S Post-World War II air defence system has not received a great deal of publicity. In fact, writing about it at all has hardly been encouraged by the authorities, since most of the really interesting facts are necessarily secret. Even vague references are dangerously liable to supply clues, and the Royal Air Force quite rightly does not want to give away free hints on how it is protected.

So, for two years or so, there has been discreet silence on this vital subject, a silence broken only during the last few weeks when the Government has revealed several things which can now be said publicly.

The first of these is that Britain's front-line day fighter squadrons are now all equipped with jets; the second is that the record-breaking Meteor IV's are among these jets, and the third is that the air interception exercises held on the south coast were successful.

I, and other reporters, were allowed to watch these air exercises and we found them of considerable interest.

The "plot" was that aircraft of the Royal Navy should stage attacks on various objectives on the south coast, while the RAF tried to intercept them, with Meteors and Vampires. There were also night attacks by heavy bombers on surprise targets.

I was given permission to watch a big day attack from the vantage point of one of the RAF's radar stations which defend the south coast. I am not allowed to give away its location, but I can say that it is the station which, during the war, "controlled" Group Captain John Cunningham, the famous night fighter ace, and helped him to 18 victories.

The radar beams from this place were, in fact, the real "Cats' Eyes" which gained for Cunningham the nickname which still makes him shudder. The powers that be, of course, encouraged the "cats-eyes" legend to distract enemy attention from the radar station and from any suspicion that Cunningham's plane was equipped with a secret radar installation—which it was.

Fast Machines

ON the occasion of these latest exercises, I was able to watch the same efficiency, if not the same spectacular result, shown with our latest gear and gadgets. The raiders had chosen fast machines for the job—Sea Hornets with an escort of Sea-fires—300 miles-an-hour striking force. On the defence side was a wing of Vampires and a wing of Meteors, both at "readiness," with a section of each at "cockpit" readiness, which meant the pilot had only to start his engine and take off.

The main controller was on watch on one of the radar screens when the exercise opened. His first job was to pick out from the confusion of "blips" the particular blips of an approaching "enemy." For those who haven't seen modern radar, I should explain that a "blip" is the little sausage-shaped blob of green light which indicates an aircraft and this blip is superimposed on a map so that the location of the aircraft can be seen at a glance. As it moves, its direction and speed are matters of a second or two's calculation. Its height is simultaneously determined by other radar gear on an adjacent screen. The controller in peacetime has, however, unusual difficulties. There are many aircraft flying on their lawful business and as each plane makes a "blip" it is a matter of some skill to know which ones represent an approaching enemy, and which is a cluster of club machines out for a airing. In wartime this trouble does not arise since all air movement is controlled and known.

Blips On Screen

OUR controller was an adept at this kind of sorting-out. Suddenly he stabbed the screen with his finger and said, "Here they come." A minute later many more details of the raid came in from other radar stations in the chain, and the controller picked up a telephone said "Scramble the Meteors!" In less than a minute we heard through the radio, telephone, "Meteor leader airborne." Without taking his eyes off the enemy blips on the screen, the controller replied "Climb to angels twelve (12,000 feet), steer south-west." On the screen it could be seen, now, see both the enemy and the climbing Meteor IV's as they rocketed up to their required number of "angels," the rival forces still being many miles apart.

Still watching the 300 miles-an-hour bombers and the near-600 miles-an-hour fighters, the controller picked up another telephone and ordered, "Scramble the Vampires."

Air Generalship

BY now, the bombers were headed for the coast, less at their objective, while the Meteors were being brought round into the sun, and placed in a position from which to pounce. Beyond the Meteors, the Vampires were also being brought into position, so that they could pounce on any survivors the Meteors had (theoretically) left for them.

As I watched it was borne in on me, more than ever, that the overall tactical generalship of the air has now passed from the cockpit to the radar room. Constantly the controller passed to the fighters the latest (Continued on page 5, Column 1)

'GO TO THE REGISTER OFFICE'... says

DEAN INGE

DR W. R. INGE—reported to be "getting along nicely, but slowly," after his operation at the Middlesex Hospital—appears with undiminished vigour in a book just published.

The 68-year-old ex-Dean of St Paul's—for almost 50 years a stock-provider to the faithful Anglican laity—offers these characteristic quotes:

MARRIAGE: "I am very reluctantly driven to the opinion that all marriages should be settled in a register office and that only those who accept the Christian view of marriage should be married in church."

CHRISTIANITY: "Essential Christianity is invulnerable. It springs ever fresh in the heart of man... The unity of the spirit in the bond of peace, is far more important than church-going, a test which is naturally over-valued by the clerical profession."

"The present generation has not recovered faith in God, and has lost faith in man. That is why we are so unhappy."

PARLIAMENT: "An M.P. is now a mere delegate, a machine for recording votes dictated by others. The debates are reduced to a farce; they change scarcely any votes."

WAR: "I question whether the majority in any country, even in Germany, regard war as anything but a curse.... Boredom often generates wars, the supreme exhibition of human folly and wickedness. But wars are not boring."

"It was commonly said after the First Great War that a second would be the death of civilisation.... The second stroke was not averted; future historians will decide whether it was indeed a mortal blow. There can be very little doubt what the result of a third would be."

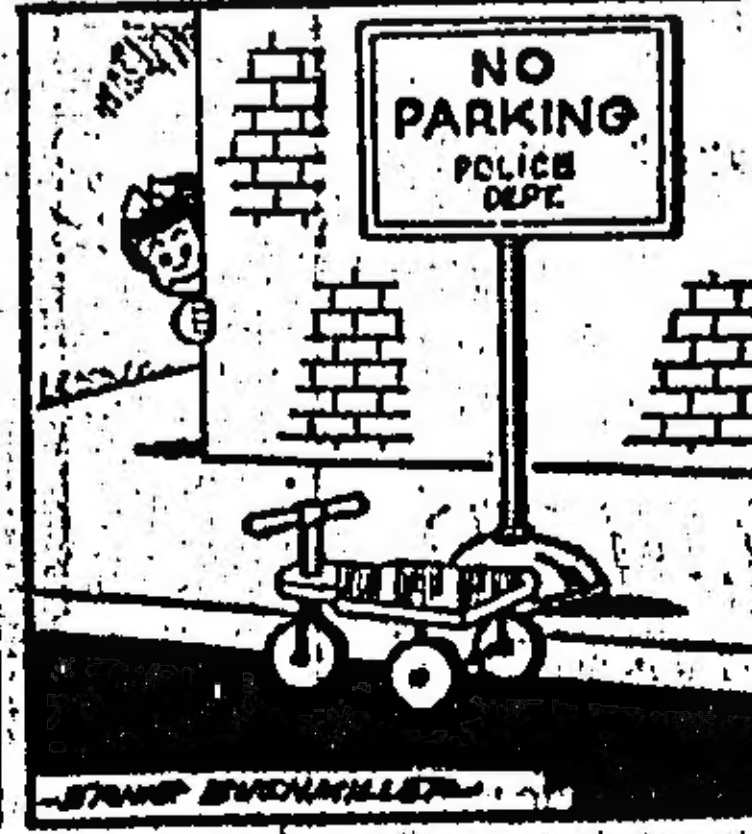
POLITICS: "Not many Churchmen have gone into politics without coming out badly smirched."

FREE ENTERPRISE: "Language is sometimes heard which suggests that there is something discreditable in business enterprise, and that profits earned by taking risks ought to be confiscated. But it is obvious that if all inducements to enterprise were withdrawn, and if success in business were looked on as a disgrace, there would be a rapid decline in the national wealth."

THE FUTURE: "The outlook at present is depressing, but so it has been in several other periods of history. We have before now been in danger of losing our liberty, but the danger has been overcome. We must hope and pray that it may be overcome again."

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NANCY Jr. Lawbreaker



By Ernie Bushmiller



Appeal Against Wood Murder Convictions

Sentenced to death by the Chief Justice, Mr Justice Williams, on May 28 for the murder of L. B. Wood on a path leading to Lion Rock on February 11. Lau Hoi, alias Lau Yan-hoi and Ho Cheuk-kui at the Supreme Court this morning brought an appeal against their conviction before Mr Justice Gould and Mr Justice Reynolds.

U.S. VARIETY SHOW FOR HONGKONG

San Francisco, July 8.—Seven Hollywood variety performers will leave on Saturday for Manila where they will appear in a variety show at the Manila Grand Opera House on July 15.

The team is expected to tour the Philippines, Hongkong, Bangkok and Singapore.

They will be preceded by Miss Donna Murphy, Director of the Far Eastern Entertainment Enterprises Inc., who will leave today by the Philippines Air Lines.

Miss Murphy, who secured the performers, said it will be the first American variety show to leave for the Far East since the end of the war.

In Manila, the seven will join an 18-piece Filipino band and a 10-girl chorus line, which are now in rehearsal.

The group consists of vocalist Joan Pao, roller skater Billy Passo, comic juggler Murray Parker, an Adagio dance team, the Staptions and a tap dance team, Don and Dolores.—Associated Press.

Divorce Decrees Made Absolute

Two divorce suits were made absolute by Mr Justice Williams (Acting Chief Justice) in the Divorce Court this morning.

Luis Maria Vieira Ribeiro, of 11 King Kwong Street, top floor, was granted a decree nisi on April 3 when he petitioned for a divorce from his wife, Etheldreda Augusta Ribeiro, of 1 Emma Avenue, ground floor, on the grounds of her adultery with a person unknown. Petitioner was represented by Mr Peter H. Sin.

Ernie Dudley Estelle Norman, residing at the Melbourne Hotel, was granted a decree nisi on January 9 in her petition for divorce from her husband, Eric Mervyn Norman, of the Arlington Hotel, on the grounds of his adultery with an unknown woman. Mr E. Capstick appeared for the petitioner.

Both suits were uncontested.

Jet Fighters Use Radar

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news of the bomber force, and gave to the jet fighters the initiative of surprise. Meanwhile the raiding aircraft flew on, ignorant of the fact that miles away, and thousands of feet below, an anonymous squadron leader was directing moves which would result in their flying into a trap.

The groups of blips converged, neither seeing the other, but both visible on our screens on the ground. Then, suddenly, from the Meteors came the message, "Attacking now." We watched the blips mingle, and saw the bombers still flying in wait, the controller ordered the Meteors to break away, and make room for the second wave of defence. Reluctantly the Meteors pulled out of the fight, while on the radio came a jubilant cry from the Vampire leader, "We've seen them, they haven't seen us—attacking now."

At the screen the controller smiled and said, "Now the argument will start—who shot down who, which wing did best. Thank heaven that's no affair of mine."

We walked together out into the sunshine, and looked up to see if any stragglers of battle were visible; and as we walked I thought how ruthlessly efficient the system was, but how necessary to protect a small land area like Britain in these days of 300 and 400 miles-an-hour bombers, when the Channel takes only four minutes to cross.

COURT CLAIM FOR SALARY

A claim for salary due was brought by Mrs. Augusta Marie Gutierrez d'Aquino, of Room 504, Gloucester Hotel, against Mrs Beatrice Church, of the Advertising and Publicity Bureau, Ltd., 511-514 Marina House, Queen's Road Central, before Mr Justice Williams in the Summary Court this morning.

Mrs d'Aquino claimed for \$502.50, being the balance of salary due for June 1-30, and costs of the action. Hearing was fixed for 10 a.m. on Tuesday next.

199 Years In Prison



James Morell (left) and Lowell Fentress (centre), 19-year-old youths known as "the mad dog killers" were sentenced in Chicago to 199 years apiece in prison, after a criminal court jury convicted them in the slaying of John Kuehl last December. Two other murder charges against the two youths are still pending.—AP Picture.

Commons Debate Grave Malayan Situation

(Continued from Page 1)

The Government would be doing a service to the man in the street in Malaya and make him sit for the next step forward if it showed clearly, by its actions in the next few months or so, that it meant business and was determined to stamp out terrorism.

WISE CONSTITUTION

The constitution was one of the wisest and best worked out. But after the war, it was obvious it should be modified. A Governor-General in Singapore, and a High Commissioner in Kuala Lumpur was a set-up that would not work and called for modification.

Until law and order was restored, Britain would be losing a considerable amount of dollars through the loss of rubber. The small Chinese owner would not buy the necessary machinery because he was in daily fear of being held to ransom.

The one point of stability in the Far East at present was Malaya. Burma was in a chaotic state. India was not in a state of peace, and Siam was gradually coming under very great Communist influence.

In Indonesia there was no war but no peace. In Indo-China, there were chaotic conditions, and in China a deepening chaos, both economic and racial.

The one place to which everyone turned for stability was Malaya, and if the Government did not restore law and order, it would be doing the greatest disservice to the East.

The Colonial Secretary in his statement had shown no sense of magnitude of the crisis.

WIDESPREAD CRITICISM

Winding up for the Opposition, Mr Oliver Stanbury, former Colonial Secretary, said that from what he had learnt, there was "very widespread criticism in Malaya itself of the delay by the Government in taking the action which they are now taking."

"I hope the Minister will be able to give an assurance that the stern measures now being adopted will be carried through to the end."

Mr Stanbury also said that events in Malaya and on the Gold Coast show a new danger which the British Administration is facing in the colonial empire.

The risk to security, to public order, to governmental authority, does not depend, as it did in the past, on a feeling of political reverence or resentment of economic conditions.

This new movement does and can subsist independent of their existence. The old idea that movements of this kind could not arise without the sympathy of the population is "quite out of date." These movements can work on the local population just as much by fear as by sympathy.

"This kind of movement cannot be met by concessions because it is not really based on grievances. It is a challenge to authority, to our whole idea of colonial progress. It is a challenge that has got to be met and fought by the Government on the spot with the support of the Government here and of the whole House."

TAKEN BY SURPRISE

In a further reference to Malaya and the Gold Coast, Mr Stanbury said that what was worrying him was that the Government appeared to have been taken by surprise.

"This would seem to point to the need for better information, for seeing more promptly and decisively." He could assure the Colonial Secretary of support when he acted in that way.

Mr Stanbury thought that colonial matters should be kept out of party squabbles because there was a deep underlying unity of purpose in the House about them. On the possibility of putting the colonial administration above the chances of British elections, he depended the chance of a sound administration and a stable policy.

The problem was how 40,000,000 people in Britain could so adjust their relations with 60,000,000 spread over the world that, progressing from the original beneficent autocracy through all the stages of greater responsibility, a stage could finally be reached where their political aspirations could be satisfied within the Commonwealth.

NEW KIND OF THREAT

Mr David Rees-Williams, Under Secretary for the Colonies, replying to the debate, said:

"The trouble in Malaya is, to some extent, reflection of the trouble in China. It was not possible, in my view, for the recent events to have been completely foreseen because it is only lately that there has been violence on anything like this scale."

"This is an entirely new threat of a new kind, which does not flare up only in Malaya. We have to adjust ourselves to the new conditions. As to the future, I will give a complete assurance on behalf of the Government that we will take every possible step to: achieve stability in Malaya, that we will do all we can to protect the lives of innocent and law-abiding citizens, and that all the powers we have been asked for have been given to the Government of Malaya."

"If they need any more powers, they will be given them."

"We shall not engage in a cat and mouse act. We are going right through with this, and we are going to stamp it out."

"On our part, and I am sure on the part of the Government of Malaya, there will be no sheathing of the sword until we complete our task."

The debate then ended.—Reuter.

ASKS FOR LIFE IMPRISONMENT

Rome, July 8.—The State Prosecutor has asked the Italian Military Tribunal today to sentence 65 Lieutenant Colonel Herbert Kappeler to life imprisonment for the "preparatory execution" of 335 Italian hostages at the Argentine Caves in March 1944.

Summing up the case, the State Prosecutor, Lieutenant Colonel Vetro suggested that Kappeler's five co-defendants be held in recent years under the Italian penal code which exonerates persons who are only carrying out orders they cannot countermand.

He also asked the Tribunal to impose a 15-year sentence on Kappeler for exporting 50 kilos of gold from Rome. Jaws.—United Press.

JOHN LEWIS IN TROUBLE AGAIN

Washington, July 8.—Robert N. Denham, General Counsel for the National Labour Relations Board, today charged John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers with violating the Taft-Hartley law by demanding union shop in the coal mines of the nation's 10 "biggest steel companies."

Denham asked Federal Judge Alan Goldsborough to issue an injunction ordering Lewis to end the three-day strike in captive coal mines. Judge Goldsborough directed Lewis and the United Mine Workers to appear next Wednesday and show why an injunction should not be issued.—United Press.

Oscars Presented

London, July 8.—Actor Jean Hersholt, tonight presented six Hollywood Oscars to five British technicians for cinematic achievements.

The presentations were made at a dinner given by J. Arthur Rank, OBE, at the Grosvenor Hotel. Two Oscars were presented to the British technicians.

NANKING PAPER BANNED

News Agency Also Suspended

Nanking, July 9.—The Chinese Government, in an unprecedented move, tonight ordered the banning of the independent Hsin Min Pao from publication on the charges of "disseminating Communist propaganda and attempting to discredit the National Government."

In a separate order, the Ministry of Interior also suspended the Truth News Agency on similar charges.

The official order to ban the Hsin Min Pao permanently from publication was issued by the Ministry and transmitted to the paper's offices by the Bureau of Social Affairs.

The Hsin Min Pao, a popular independent daily, is published in Shanghai, Peking, Chungking and Chengtu besides Nanking. It was established in 1929 and claimed one of the largest circulations in China.

The Government order charges the paper with violation of Article 21 of the Publication Law which stipulates that no newspaper or periodical shall disseminate information inimical to the interests of the Chinese nation or prejudicial to public peace and order.

UNDERMINING MORALE

It charges among other things, that the paper had been guilty "on repeated occasions of spreading rumours discrediting or undermining army morale," and more specifically, "inciting public opinion against the active participation of Government Air Force planes in fighting the Communists."

Upon receipt of the Government order, Mr Chen Min-ich, publisher of the Hsin Min Pao, issued a categorical denial of all the charges, stating they were "contrary to the facts."

Mr Chen is a National Assembly delegate, while his wife, Mrs. Teng Shi-hsien, who is the manager of the paper's Nanking edition, is a member of the Legislative Yuan.

Regarding the Truth News Agency, the Ministry of Interior order says that on frequent occasions in the past the agency has been accused of circulating reports concerning military secrets.—Reuter-AAP.

A NEW COAL TARGET

Whitby Bay, July 8.—The Fuel Ministry, Mr Hugh Galskell today told State National Union of Mine workers that Britain must export 25,000,000 tons of coal in 1949 to safeguard the country's coal supply in the forthcoming talks with Argentina.

The new export target of 25,000,000 tons is 2,000,000 tons greater than that previously announced, and 10,000,000 tons above the 1948 target.

Mr Galskell said that Argentina would ask for coal when Britain negotiates with her for meat.

Arthur Horner, Communist General Secretary of the Union, praised the work of the National Coal Board, although he conceded it has been criticised within the union for too much bureaucracy.

He belittled the importance of the target in the coal industry during its first year under Government ownership which estimates have put it as high as £25,000,000.

"The Board of the Government and the Union together have saved the economy of the country," Mr Horner said. "It is in the first year there has been a relative trifling loss which is largely a bookkeeping loss, who is to worry and should anybody grumble about it?"—United Press.

Churchill Felt Let Down

New York, July 8.—After the fall of Singapore in 1942, Mr Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's personal assistant—then in London for second front talks with the Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill—reported back to the President that Mr Churchill felt the "Singapore business was a mess."

Mr Churchill considered "the whole thing was very badly handled and that there is no explanation of the lack of resistance on the part of the British. He simply thinks they folded up and let him and the British Army down very badly." This is disclosed in Mr Hopkins's papers edited by Mr Robert Sherwood and published in Collier's Magazine today.—Reuter.

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H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.01, Child's Hour. 6.15, "Pines in the willows" by Kenneth Graham. Presented by Philipa Combes (Studio). 6.20, "One Night in the City" by Philip Burn (Studio). 6.25, "Talks on Sport" by R. G. F. (Studio). 6.30, "The Rake's Progress" by J. H. (Studio). 6.35, "World and Home News" (London Relay). 6.40, "A Vocal Recital" by John Heaton (Studio). 6.45, "The Rake's Progress" by J. H. (Studio). 6.50, "World and Home News" (London Relay). 6.55, "A Vocal Recital" by John Heaton (Studio). 7.00, "The Rake's Progress" by J. H. (Studio). 7.05, "World and Home News" (London Relay). 7.10, "A Vocal Recital" by John Heaton (Studio). 7.15, "The Rake's Progress" by J. H. (Studio). 7.20, "World and Home News" (London Relay). 7.25, "A Vocal Recital" by John Heaton (Studio). 7.30, "The Rake's Progress" by J. H. (Studio). 7.35, "World and Home News" (London Relay). 7.40, "A Vocal Recital" by John Heaton (Studio). 7.45, "The Rake's Progress" by J. H. 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THIRD TEST MATCH

DENIS COMPTON AGAIN SAVES ENGLAND FROM COLLAPSE

231 For Seven At Close Of Play

Manchester, July 8.—Denis Compton, batting with a plaster over his stitched forehead wound, once again saved England from a complete collapse on an easy paced pitch, which offered the Australians little, if any, assistance, and at the close of play England had scored 231 for seven wickets.

Despite his injury, Compton exposed the dreadful failures of other England batsmen and he did not flinch when Lindwall gave him the usual supply of bumpers on resuming.

Compton and Evans provided the brightest cricket of the day with 75 in 70 minutes.

Edrich, during his three hours of fighting cricket, was only a shadow of the brilliant batsman who punished South Africa's bowling for 191 in the corresponding Test last summer. But he earned admiration for the plucky way in which he refused to be upset, either by falling wickets or his occasional mistakes.

Crapp, England's new left-hander, stepped in the breach at a critical period but showed no sign of anxiety. He took no chances and the forward defensive stroke was the most notable characteristic of his batting. He hit 37 in two hours and 40 minutes, was promising form for his first Test, was promising form for his first Test, was promising form for his first Test.

Lindwall, without any help from a true pitch, again bowled splendidly. He produced the occasional extra fast ball that was always tantalising. A cold wind sprang up after lunch and the Australians jumped about in the field to keep themselves warm.

Crapp batted without error and appeared to have no difficulty in dealing with Lindwall's off-drives. He was leg-breaks to breaks, which were leg-breaks to breaks, which were leg-breaks to breaks.

Crapp's restraint began to test Ian Johnston's patience. When he over-pitched twice in one over to compel a stroke, Crapp found the boundary with sparkling off-drives. With increased confidence and after making the partnership 51 in 93 minutes, he again drove Ian Johnston for four, Edrich remained at 19 for a long time.

With the total at 87, scored from 58 overs, Lindwall and Bill Johnston took the new ball. Lindwall bowled faster than in either of his previous spells and twice in his first over Edrich luckily nicked him through the slip for four.

STUBBORN STAND BROKEN

The first ball of Lindwall's next over broke the stubborn stand when it had added 68 in just under two hours. Crapp went across to cover up but the ball broke back sharply and got him leg-before at 90.

Dollery survived the remainder of Lindwall's very fast over, taking a single off the last ball, but he was yorked by the first ball of Bill Johnston's next over. Thus two wickets had fallen within the space of one run, making four down for 97.

While these wickets were falling, Compton had ten minutes of net practice to the bowling of Pollard, Young and Wardle, a wise procedure to ensure confidence for his return to the crease.

The loud-speaker announcement that he had recovered and would bat when required raised the biggest cheer of the day.

After the hundred was raised in three hours and ten minutes, Yardley took two fours in one of Lindwall's overs. Then at 115 came another setback for England. Edrich, after scoring 32 in three hours, was sniped at the wicket. Lindwall, still bowling very fast, pitched a good length delivery on the off-stump, and for only the second time today, the ball rose sharply and Edrich, like Emmett, could not withdraw his bat quickly enough.

County Players Banned From Sunday Cricket

Controversy is raging behind the scenes of county cricket clubs at their ban on their players taking part in Sunday benefit matches.

Somerset put the cat among the pigeons when they told their players they must not participate in games for the benefit of Bill Andrews, their former fast bowler.

In fact, they stipulated that they could play in only five. Now Hampshire's captain-secretary, Desmond Eagar, tells me he has put up a similar bar or, rather, his committee has with the exception of all but four matches, writes Archie Quick.

He argues that a six-days week of cricket is quite sufficient for any man and as clubs pay the piper, they should call the tune.

Players say it is unfair for it financially handicaps men for the first time after they have given 20 or more years' service. They say if a "professional" cares to volunteer to add to the attraction of a Sunday game, he should be allowed to do so, surely, he is a free agent on Sundays.

There are arguments both for and against this question. Andrews, the first player to receive a benefit after leaving a county, is doing well playing in the Midlands League for Stourbridge.

Somerset Club, of course, have

In the fourth over after tea and without an addition to the total, Yardley lifted a catch to Ian Johnston at deep, mid-wicket.

Evans, who joined Compton, helped to send up 150 after four hours and 35 minutes. Ian Johnston, relieving Toshack at 170 kept Evans quiet but Compton, although not too sure in his timing, took a couple of boundaries.

Evans defended strongly and played 15 minutes at 10 runs before driving Ian Johnston straight for four. In the next over Compton completed 50 in one hour and 55 minutes, having then hit five fours.

Compton, when at 50, offered a difficult chance to Tallon off Lindwall, who had changed ends. Evans celebrated this escape by driving Ian Johnston for four to hoist the 200 in just under five and a half hours.

Evans who, like Compton, used his feet to advantage, helped to add 75 before giving an easy catch to mid-on at 216. Evans, who mistimed an attempted hook stroke, batted for 70 minutes. Compton, joined by Berser, progressed slowly but surely and, surviving a confident appeal for leg-before from Bill Johnston off the last ball of the day, remained undefeated at the close.

TEST SCOREBOARD

England 1st innings

Washbrook, b. Bill Johnston	11
Compton, c. Buzze, b. Lindwall	10
Crapp, not out	37
Edrich, c. Tallon, b. Lindwall	32
Crapp, lb.w., b. Lindwall	37
Dollery, b. Bill Johnston	1
Yardley, c. I. Johnston, b. Toshack	22
Evans, c. D. Johnston, b. Lindwall	34
Besler, not out	4
Extras	16

Total for seven ... 231

Bowling Analysis:

	O	M	R	W
Lindwall	28	6	64	4
Bill Johnston	30	7	46	2
Loxton	7	0	18	0
Toshack	28	17	36	1
Ian Johnston	27	14	51	0

Byes 2, leg-byes 13, no-balls 1.—Reuter.

COUNTY CRICKET

London, July 8.—Old Trafford was not the only place where wickets fell today. At Taunton, six Somerset wickets went down in an hour for 19 runs before lunch, following a rather remarkable occurrence.

Glimblett and Hill had been scoring steadily when Lancashire's Hilton, in stopping a drive with his boot, spiked the ball, necessitating a new one. Roberts and Cranston then began the rout with the new ball.

While George Emmett and Jack Crapp were fighting in the Test, their Gloucestershire colleagues met with bowling successes at Chesham. The Derbyshire batsmen found the spinners of Goddard and the paces of Scott and Lambert troublesome and were all out for 180.

Then it was the turn of Gladwin and Jackson so that at the end of

the day, Derby wanted 278 to win with all their second innings wickets intact. Laddie, Worcestershire's Ceylon born all-rounder, was in form with the bat against Surrey at the Oval, scoring a chanceless 78.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

Close of play scores today were: At the Oval: Surrey 218, Worcestershire 354 (Jenkins 81, Wyatt 53, Outchouren 78).

At Cheshamford: Royal Navy beat Essex by nine wickets. Royal Navy 310 and 12 for one; Essex 103 (Montgomery 52, Vaughan five for 51) and 143 (Martin five for 29).

At Taunton: Lancashire 390, Somerset 188 (Roberts six for 34) and 141 for five. At Swansea: Sussex 261 and 117 for three, Glamorgan 405 (Parkhouse 117, Eaglesstone 72).

At Leicester: Leicestershire 240 and 64 for 0, Middlesex 441 for seven declared (Robertson 132, Brown 64, Malcolm 51, Thompson 55, Leale Compton 85).

At Chesterfield: Derbyshire 180 (Smith 58, Goddard four for 41), Gloucestershire 242 and 215 (Monks 58, Gladwin five for 57).

At Paisley: Scotland; 100 and 90 for eight, Yorkshire 262 and 107 for seven declared. Match drawn.—Reuter.

Baseball

New York, July 8.—Jimmy Russell's four-run homer with two out in the eighth gave the National League leading Boston Braves a 7-4 victory over the Brooklyn Dodgers and halted the Dodgers' winning streak at six games today.

Eddie Stanky, the Braves' second baseman, and Bruce Edwards, Dodger third sacker, both were hurt when they collided in the third innings.

Ewell Blackwell hurled the Cincinnati Reds to their fourth straight win, shutting out the Chicago Cubs on seven hits. Cincinnati took the game 4-0.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

The Cleveland Indians in the American League turned their bats on Joe Coleman of the Athletics and Joe Haynes of the White Sox. The tribe picked Gettel and two successors for 15 hits to retain their league lead.

At New York, Tommy Henrich's bases-loaded homer off Carl Schell helped the Yankees snap a four-game losing streak at the expense of the Philadelphia Athletics. The Yankees won 6-5.

The Detroit Tigers hung up their fourth straight win behind Birgit Trucks' five hit pitching, defeating Saint Louis 12-2.

THE SCORES

National League

	R	H	E
Boston	7	9	0
Brooklyn	4	0	2
(Winning pitcher Clyde Shoun).			
Cincinnati	4	9	0
Chicago	0	7	1
(Winning pitcher Ewell Blackwell).			

American League

	R	H	E
Chicago	1	7	1
Cleveland	14	10	1
(Winning pitcher Gene Bearden).			
Philadelphia	5	8	0
New York	0	0	0
(Winning pitcher Joe Page).			
Saint Louis	2	5	2
Detroit	12	15	0
(Winning pitcher Virgil Trucks).—Associated Press.			



MAKING IS THE WET GAMES PROPOSED MAKE THE BALL WIGGLE LIKE THAT!

GRID STAR TAKES BRIDE



John Lujack, Notre Dame's all-American football star is shown with his bride, the former Patricia Ann Schlerbrock, as they leave the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Davenport, Ia., just after their marriage.—AP Wirephoto.

SHORTAGE OF GOOD SOCCER REFEREES IN ENGLAND

By ARCHIE QUICK

Mingling with the midsummer Test Match Parade at Lords was the Spurs manager, Mr. Halsey, with a theory to propound. Joe has played cricket for Middlesex, football for Arsenal and England, is a scratch golfer and can make his 100-break at billiards.

The burden of Joe's complaint was refereeing. "How can the Football Association afford to retire men like Jack Barwick and George Reader on age limit when there are so few good referees about these days. The war period stopped the flow but, because Barwick and Reader, are 45, they are taken off the league list although, only last May, Barwick was thought good enough to officiate at the Cup Final while the year previous Reader did the Great Britain versus Rest of Europe match at Hampden.

"I know that it is said old players make bad referees but I would chance an experiment of having a referees' school for old players with a competent coach in charge. Players after an active career could then go there at full-time employment, continuing in the game that most of them love. The standard will never be raised until refereeing is made a whole time job."

REPORT SYSTEM CRITICISED
"Also I disagree with a system whereby two competing clubs each make a report weekly on the referees to the league. Those reports are sure to be unwittingly biased. The Football Association should appoint neutral inspectors to report on officials' performances."

All-Star Lineup Includes Rookies

New York, July 8.—Bucky Harris has picked a number of rookies to day to complete the American League All-star squad.

Newcomers to the all-star competition include pitchers Bob Lemon of the Indians, Vic Raschi of the Yankees, Joe Coleman of the Athletics and Joe Haynes of the White Sox. Also on the pitching squad will be veterans Bob Feller, Hal Newhouse, Walter Masterson and Joe Page.

To supplement the starting lineup picked by Sam Rice, Harris named catchers Elmer Foltz of the Red Sox, Larry Remy of the Yankees, infielders George Kell of the Tigers, Mickey Vernon of the Senators, Vernon Stephens and Bobby Doerr of Red Sox, and outfielders Tommy Henrich of Yankees and Hoot Evers of the Tigers.—United Press.

IRANIAN SETS RECORD

Copenhagen, July 8.—Ahmoud Namdjour of Iran claimed a new world weightlifting record for the two-hand jerk when he lifted 274 lbs and 19 ounces in a contest here tonight.—United Press.

Fred Perry Revisits England

By ARCHIE QUICK

Fred Perry is back in England for the first time for 12 years. He is playing a series of professional games with Petra and Pelizza in the provinces but the greatest kick he has got has been to walk through the gates at Wimbledon not having to worry for the first time as to what the result would be. He has never been a spectator there before.

Girl Diver Blown Off Board

Scarborough, Yorkshire, July 8.—A fierce wind whipped the surface of the open air pool here into turbulent waves and caused the postponement of the diving events in the English Amateur Swimming Association championships today and delayed the start of the swimming heats.

The diving was halted after one girl diver had been blown off the board. Swirling rain and a low temperature added to the general misery of competitors and Pamela Ballantyne, who had just returned from India, clutched a water bottle while waiting her turn on the springboard.—Reuter.

OLYMPIC ROUNDUP

Australia's Team Grew And Grew

In April the Australian Olympic Committee made a preliminary announcement of its Olympic team as numbering 34.

Since then their appeal for funds has had such astonishing success that, at the moment, over 70 competitors in various events have been nominated to make the trip to London.

It seems certain that this will be by far the largest and strongest Australian Olympic team ever.

Prominent among the swimmers newly announced is 18-year-old Queensland Nancy Lyons who, in April, broke the world's women's 100 yds. breast-stroke record by 1.2 secs. Recently she turned from the orthodox breast-stroke, with which she had swum the world's best time for 110 yds., to the butterfly stroke.

Employing this style, she swam 220 yds. in 3 mins. 7 secs. This time would have won the recent U.S. 220 yds. breast-stroke championship.

Other swimmers added to the team are: Denise Spencer (Queensland), 18, student, triple Australian free-style title holder. This year she won the 110 yds., 220 yds., and 440 yds. Australian championships and established an Australian record of 5 mins. 38 secs. for the 440 yds. Bruce Bourke (New South Wales), 19, clerk, holder of the Australian 110 yds. back-stroke title, and one of the fastest free-style swimmers in Australia. After having been beaten by a touch in the 110 yds. free-style national championship, he later swam the distance in 59.7 secs. to become the first Australian to break a minute.

Dave Norris (Victoria), 24, clerk, has been selected as a diver. He represented Australia in the Empire Games in 1938. After the war, during which he was a P.O.W. in Germany for three years, he won the 200 yds. Bennett trophy for being the Australian diver nearest to world class. He has won the Australian springboard championship for three consecutive years.

A weight-lifter added to the team is Keith Caples (New South Wales), 24, bantam-weight champion, one of the few Australians who can lift double his own body weight (222 lb.) at full arm's length above his head. Last year Caples set an Australian record at Adelaide with 430 lb. press, 182 lb. snatch, 230 lb. clean and jerk—a total of 572 lb.

Canada, Mexico Even In Davis Cup

CANADA

The Canadian, Gerard Cote, in April won his fourth Boston Marathon in 2 hrs. 31 mins. 2 secs. with the American, and Vogel, 43 years behind. The Canadian Marathon specialist's previous victories in the event were scored in 1940, 1943, and 1944.

Another former victor, John Kelley, was this time fourth, the place occupied by Cote in 1947. Kelley's time was 2-37-52. Between him and Vogel was another American, Van Zandt. An old hand at the game, Kelley won his first Boston Marathon in 1935 and repeated this success in 1945. Two other Canadians did well in the Boston Marathon: 1948, Lloyd Evans finished sixth, and Walter Fedorick seventh in 2-41-23 and 2-41-27 respectively.

Last year, when the Korean, Yoon Bok Su won in 2-25-30, Vogel was third behind the European, champion, Helander, and Vogel's time of 2-30-10 was better than the winner's time this year.

Johnny Greco, the 24-year-old Canadian professional boxer, is among the best welter-weights in the world. He fought a draw with Beau Jack recently in Madison Square Garden, and the \$146,000 gate was one of the best of recent times. Greco would like to meet both the European welter and middle-weight champions, Villemin and Cerdan, at Montreal.

Outstanding among amateurs is 16-year-old, middle-weight Robert Charron, who will almost certainly be seen in the Olympic ring in London, as should fly-weight Rene Trudeaux, who is the same age. Yet another 16-year-old will probably make a place in Canada's Olympic boxing team: the cruiser-weight, Andre Sauve.

NEW ZEALAND

All New Zealand is, of course, fervently hopeful of the Olympic chances of their great half-miler, Douglas Harris. His two defeats of America's Johnny Sulton in 1947—the second in the excellent time of 3 min. 49.4 secs.—undoubtedly place him in the very highest class.

New Zealand's "possession" of an athlete likely to bring back Olympic honours. He is bantam-weight champion boxer Bobby Goslin of Wellington, who, at 20, has punched his way to 24 knock-out wins from a total of 27 bouts.

Some idea of Goslin's ability as a puncher—he is certainly not a stylish boxer—can be gleaned from his 30 secs. K.O. of American Service-man Gorky Gonzales at Wellington four years ago.

For a lad of 16 to trounce so soundly the then New York State Golden Gloves winner, and present All-American Golden Gloves winner, is high commendation indeed.

Bobby Goslin has recently been receiving instruction from three of the greatest boxers ever to fight in N.Z. They are Les Murry, ex-N.Z. professional, light-weight champion, a man with extensive American experience; Ted Morgan, only New Zealand boxer to win an Olympic title (he took the welter-weight title at the Amsterdam Games); and Bob Murphy's conqueror, negro welter-weight Willie Jones. All three have the highest possible opinion of Goslin's chances.



THE DUBLINER, APPROPRIATELY EQUIPPED WITH TWO WHEELS, IS IN LONDON FOR SOME MONTHS. HE IS IN THE LINE OF THE BRITISH TEAM, FIGHTING THERE.

SINGAPORE

For the first time in its history, Singapore is to be represented at the Olympic Games this year, and the responsibility for putting the Colony on the sports field will be to any creditable degree will be on the shoulders of a solitary competitor. Lloyd Oscar Valberg, 25-year-old high jumper champion.

In October, 1945, shortly after the liberation of Singapore, Valberg happened to buy some peanuts, the nuts were wrapped in a wisp of a sports magazine in which was printed a picture of a high jumper using the "eastern cut-off."

He took it home and started to practice. At last year's Singapore AAA meet he broke his pre-war record of 8 feet 11 inches, when he jumped 6 feet 11 inches. In the year he registered a foot 4 inches. With the Olympics around the corner, Valberg is hard at it and hopes to jump in the region of 8 feet 6 inches.

SOUTH AFRICA

Denis Shore, 34-year-old South African track champion at distances from 100 yds. to 440 yds. (01.44 m. to 402.33 m.), is one of five athletes nominated to represent the Union at the Olympic Games. Shore, manager of a motor-saleroom in Pretoria, is rated with a definite chance in the 400 m.

He clocked inside 48 secs. for the 440 yds. (402.34 m.) in 17 meetings up and down South Africa last season, and returned 47.7 secs. (twice) and 47.6 secs. on grass tracks. His 47.6 secs. was the world's best time for 440 yds. in 1947. As Shore, did his last time in the Witwatersrand, at an altitude of some 6,000 ft. (approx. 1,828 m.), he can be expected to do even better when running near sea level.

Shore, who has run the 100 yds. in the state, is a 1946 Olympian who competed in the 1936 Olympics, is nominated No. 2 in the athletics team. First place goes to another 1936 veteran, Johannes Coleman, holder of the Empire Games marathon record.

A policeman in Van der Ryn Park near Johannesburg, he covers most of his "beat" at a steady jog trot. His most dangerous rival may be 21-year-old Syd Luyt, a Brakpan-Springs carpenter and winner of the Durban marathon, who is nominated No. 5 in the team. Numbers 3 and 4 are Miss Daphne van der Merwe, a sprinter, who has covered the 100 yds. in 11 secs., and Katie Reyneke, a Cape Town postman who, not unnaturally, is an Olympic walk prospect.

Six cyclists have also been nominated for London—W. H. Rivers, C. Estman, D. Blinman, C. H. Olivier, J. J. Brand, and E. J. Scholtz. The swimming team is likely to comprise J. Wild (backstroke), G. Mandy (diving), D. Cohen (breast-stroke) and D. Johnson (100 to 800 yds. free style). Money is a pressing problem for the Olympic chiefs, but they take heart from the fact that Johannesburg Corporation have decided to make a grant to the funds after first voting against contributing towards the expenses of the Springbok team, which will go to the Games.

Tour De France

Toulouse, France, July 8.—The Italian "Flying Friar," Gino Bartali, won today's eighth lap of the Tour de France cycle race, covering the 201-kilometre lap from Lourdes to Toulouse, over 228 mountain peaks in 8 hours 37 minutes and 35 seconds.

Guy Lapébie of the Central, South Western France Regional team was placed second, and Constant Ockers of Belgium was third.

The three finishers all clocked the 201 km. lap in 8 hrs. 37 mins. 35 secs. The Tour de France retained its overall standings lead after finishing 13th today.—United Press.

FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"It's a habit, I guess, but I plant a few things every spring—I grow up on a 250-acre farm!"

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

4 Diamonds Doubled
Wins 3 Overtricks

♠ 10762	♥ KQJ8
♣ 98642	♦ 102
♠ A93	♥ A75
♣ 10753	♦ 92
♠ Q943	♥ A75
♣ 10753	♦ 92
♠ A93	♥ KQJ8
♣ 10753	♦ 92
♠ Q943	♥ A75
♣ 10753	♦ 92

BY WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

MANY people say they would be afraid to enter a bridge tournament and play against experts. However if a player really wants to improve his bridge, a tournament is the place to do it.

Since Gaynor of New York City gave me today's regional tournament. His opening bid of one heart was normal. We will have to admit that he could not open with a two-bid.

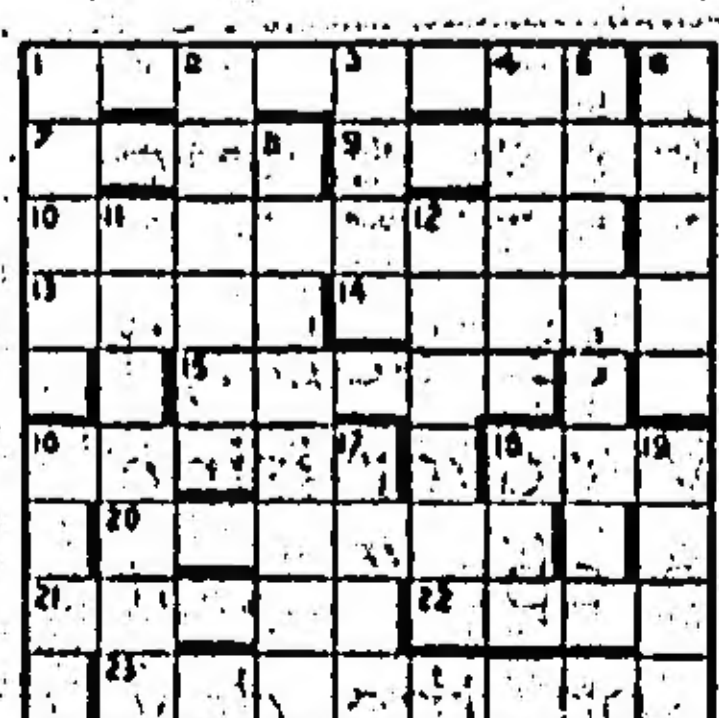
North had the choice of passing or responding with one spade or two diamonds. But none of the North players wanted to bid one spade with a singleton, and none wanted to go into the two-zone without a trick and a half.

Many players pass a hand of this type because they feel sure the opponents will refuse to let it be played at one. They will figure that the missing strength is in partner's hand, so they will make a bid, which is called "balancing." In this case East did have a good one spade bid—in fact, his hand would have justified an opening bid of one spade.

Gaynor did the correct thing in doubling, and then of course his partner had to show the six card diamond suit, which Gaynor properly supported. While I do not like East's double of four diamonds, it was based on the supposition that North would not make four diamonds when he had been afraid to bid two diamonds. East still figured that his partner had some strength.

The opening lead of the king of spades was trumped in dummy and declarer proceeded to make seven.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across
1. A place to move on a sacred site. (5, 6, 7)
7. The time during which the courts of law are open. (4)
9. He has charge of the defensive area. (10)
12. Much favoured by Mr. Spratt.

DUMB BELLS

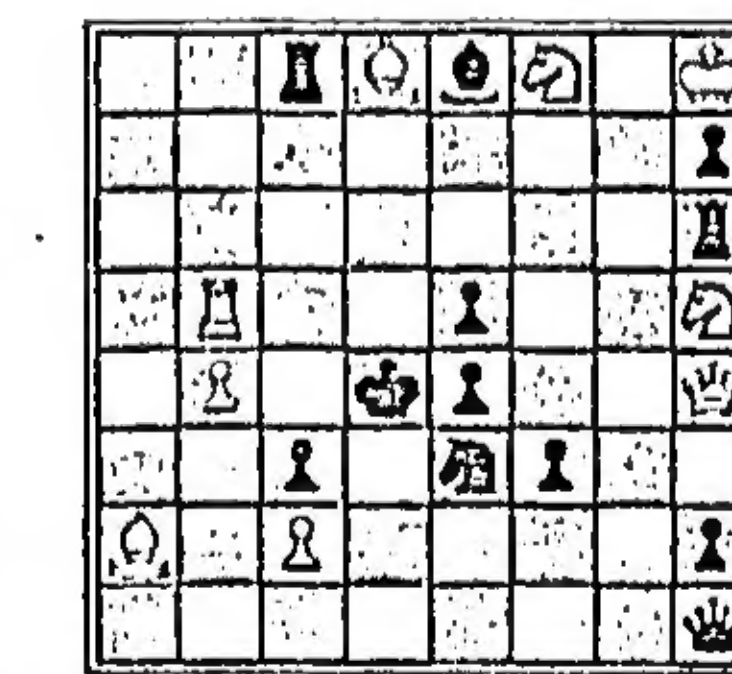


Check Your Knowledge

- Name the instrument which David used to kill Goliath.
- What name is given to the process by which skins and hides are converted into leather?
- Name the author of "The Old Wives Tales".
- Cats of what colour are practically all deaf?
- Name the island which is separated from the southern tip of South America by the Strait of Magellan.
- How many edges has a triangular pyramid?

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. K. ELWORTHY



White, 9 pieces.

White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Q-B3, any; 2. Q, or Kt (dis ch, or dbl ch) mates.

YOUR BIRTHDAY

FRIDAY, JULY 9

BORN today, you have exceptional business acumen but your artistic talents are more likely to take precedence over mere money-making. You are independent in thought and action, often much too engrossed in an idea to compromise with those who might offer you financial gain to do so. You are not one to sacrifice an ideal for money—but are more apt to make your ideal pay good profits.

You are often considered "lucky," when actually your success is a combination of hard work, tenacity to purpose with a single-track mind; and the ability to out-guess your opponents. You are a good public speaker and can think fast on your feet. You might go far in politics were you so inclined, but the chances are that you should never fit into the pattern of machine politics and would "bust out of line" whenever you felt inclined to do so.

You are highly intuitive and must not forget to admit this—if only to yourself. A great deal of your far-sightedness is due to a star-given talent for almost psychic sensitivity. You are able to know which way the wind is going to turn, ahead of time, so that you may trim your sails to suit. You are strictly fair but you give no quarter and expect none from competitors.

You women are usually the type to receive the confidences of others who come to you for help and advice. You are the kind who are able to carry on a career and a home at one and the same time, neglecting neither. All those born on this day, however, should wed someone whose profession is parallel rather than competitive, for there can be but one hero in your own home—and that is yourself!

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. "Let your birthday star be your daily guide."

SATURDAY, JULY 10

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Wind up yesterday's projects and cure a successful conclusion. Then plan a festive pleasurable and relaxing week-end.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Better for business than it is for personal affairs. Don't neglect important things just because it's the week-end.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Morning is the best time for important activity. Get necessary work done before evening hours. Poor, then.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Major projects proceed favourably but the speed may be slightly diminished. Take things at a more leisurely pace.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Morning hours are definitely the best today. Nothing spectacular is to be expected—just so-so today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 23)—Early hours are definitely the best today. Nothing spectacular is to be expected—just so-so today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Stay alert to opportunity this morning. Don't procrastinate. When afternoon comes, let up on your speed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Complete what you began yesterday during the morning hours. Be tactful and diplomatic at home this afternoon.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Wind up important matters before afternoon for then affairs are apt to take an erratic turn. Be cautious.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Push publicly on artistic and creative deals. An unexpected journey may bring new events into the foreground.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Guard your health and get plenty of rest and relaxation this afternoon and evening. Build up your energy reserves.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Take advantage of the morning hours but be very careful in any business plans made this afternoon.

AROUND THE WORLD:

Picturesque Rio de Janeiro

By TEMPLE MANNING

THE man from San Francisco is a very dependent person these days. For years the cable cars of that wonderful city have intrigued him and wherever he went he took with him stories of the exciting rides up and down the hills. And when visitors came, of course, the first outing was a cable car ride up a particularly scenic hill.

Recently, business took him to Rio de Janeiro. It seems that Carlos, friend of his started out first thing to take him for a trolley ride. And what a ride it proved to be. Just a bit from the lovely Rio Branco Avenue waterfront pavement, they boarded the street car or "bonde".

The latter name stuck when some 65 years ago the group that started the trolley system financed it with bonds. This so identified itself with the trolley system that the connection has become fixed, and "bonde" it is.

Boarded the Trolley

Well, our friend boarded the open air trolley for the ride to Silveira, a suburb where one transfers to the railway car for the ride to Corcovado. Suddenly off they went careening wildly up a hill and then rattling across a viaduct, built over 200 years ago, that connects two hills. He says that he trembled so for his safety that he was glad to be prodded to look down from the dizzy height for a wonderful view of wonderful Rio.

Just as he thought the trolley would descend, up it swooped again, winding around mountains, past streets and steps, past magnificent houses set in beautiful fragrant gardens and the last word in apartment houses, and, for contrast, past crude thatched cottages, or rather, huts. Then came the last stop and wonderful transfer to the climbing sky-car, the "bonde" that houses a famous newspaper. He dined in cosmopolitan restaurants. He had an ocean front room with a huge balcony at the beach. And he came away convinced that people are missing a wonderful travel experience if they don't visit Rio. With which sentiment we heartily agree!

OUTWARD MAILS

FRIDAY, JULY 9
Closing Times by Air
Shanghai, Hankow, Tientsin, Amoy, Hongkong, Swatow and Canton, 3:30 p.m.
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POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

WHAT, asks the Secretary of the Bedfordshire Pea-Pushing League, is the position of a pea-pusher under the Access to Mountains Bill? Does pea-pushing on unauthorised land constitute trespass, if damage is unproven?

Sir, I cannot do better than refer you to a judgment given by Mr Justice Cockfield in the case of Walderstone versus Catermole, Mrs Cooke intervening. Cockfield's judgment was that if, per se, under the law of Statutory Provisions, conventional irritancy nihil animum (Belgrave's "Principles of Singular Succession"), be proven, sub ratione and interim reddendum (Agricultural Holdings Act and Act of Sedentary), allowing for bail a layer or bail a ferme, with cheptel simple and proper hoc enfeoffment, then the onus is on the lessor, as in interest term.

Something wrong somewhere

THE above judgment, which ignores the difference between preteritum and emphaticus, would seem to refer only to a mountain leased to a corporation. No covenant runs with land when the rights and duties created by the demise granted to all assignees are not personal, in a restrictive sense. A covenant cannot be held to assign preemption to the lessee unless the lease is probative under the Registration of Trustees Act. This seems to me to invalidate and, indeed, make nonsense of everything to do with whatever is meant by all this.

Another racket in the offing

CAPTAIN FOULENOUGH is already making plans to start an agency which will advise the mere native English how to pass themselves off as visitors from abroad, in order to get plentiful petrol, clothes, and food, under the new scheme. When I called on the Captain yesterday he was making a series of gramophone records, to be used for coaching his clients in various foreign accents and intonations. I heard the first one, which began, "Meestah cee-nestah, I come all way from Ning-Poo. I get petrol ent cloths, yes-no-please, ent foods too, tank-you?"

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers
1. A shing. 2. Tanning. 3. Arnold Bennett. 4. White cats bred from white stock. 5. Tierra del Fuego. 6. Six.



Statue of Christ at the top of Corcovado.

fore he could really appreciate the incredible view from the summit of the mountain that is crowned by the world-famous statue of Christ.

The view takes in a sweeping panorama of the city, Guanabara Bay and its islands, the entrance to Rio harbour, Sugar Loaf Mountain, the lake and the white ribbons that are Rio's beaches, most famous of which, to North Americans at least, is Copacabana.

Like every other visitor to Rio, our friend was enchanted by the city and the friendliness of the Cariocas. He browsed and shopped in the Rua do Ouvidor, Rio's main shopping street, which like Calle Florida, its counterpart in Buenos Aires, is closed to all but pedestrian traffic.

He visited the magnificent radio station atop a modernistic skyscraper, the "Building that houses a famous newspaper." He dined in cosmopolitan restaurants. He had an ocean front room with a huge balcony at the beach. And he came away convinced that people are missing a wonderful travel experience if they don't visit Rio. With which sentiment we heartily agree!



"Is that the young man Gretchen met in the park?"

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

Britain Withdraws From Wheat Pact

London, July 8.—Mr John Strachey, Minister of Food, stated today that the United Kingdom has withdrawn from the new International Wheat Agreement because it will not be ratified by the United States, which is responsible for nearly half of the exports.

HONGKONG SHARES

Business done during this morning's session of the Hongkong Stock Exchange totalled \$330,000 in value. Transactions and noon prices follow:—

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HSBC	2035	15 @ 2070	
Chartered		25 @ 141	
INDUSTRIALS			
Canton	735	307 1/2	125 @ 700
Union	715		
Underwriters	715		
HK Fire	280		
DOCKERS, ETC.			
Wharf (O)		150	
Wharf (N)	31	101	1000 @ 21 1/2
Dock	225		500 @ 22 1/2
President		9 1/2	
N. P. Wharf			
LAND, ETC.			
HSBC	1735	18 1/2	200 @ 18
HSBC		5 1/2	
Shui Land		22 1/2	
Utilities			
Tram	23	24 1/2	200 @ 24 1/2
C. Light (O)		200 @ 24 1/2	
C. Light (N)		200 @ 24 1/2	
Electric	44	45	100 @ 44 1/2
Macao Electric	23		
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	47	47 1/2	3200 @ 47 1/2
Hope	19 1/2	20 1/2	1500 @ 19 1/2
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy (O)		54	200 @ 53
Dairy (New)			
Watson (Old)	57	57 1/2	500 @ 57 1/2
Watson (New)	57	57 1/2	500 @ 57 1/2
Hong Kong			
COTONS			
Ewo		10 1/2	

Mr Strachey said that the withdrawal was announced by the United Kingdom delegate at the first meeting of the International Wheat Council in Washington on Tuesday.

He explained that the British Government "is of the opinion that the guarantees of the exporting countries whose governments have ratified the International Wheat Agreement are insufficient to ensure its successful operation."

Thirty-six countries signed the agreement in March, but by July 1 only 12, including Britain, Australia, Canada, Eire, India, and New Zealand, had ratified.

Since the United States Government was responsible for 37 per cent of the total guaranteed exports, the British view was that the agreement would not work if America did not take part.

The British expressed willingness to resume talks for a new agreement.—United Press.

WALL STREET MORE ACTIVE

New York, July 8.—Selected issues today whirled into a new high ground in the first million-share session in nearly two weeks. Losses suffered on Wednesday were practically wiped out in all sections as over one million shares were traded.

Traders discounted the continuing tense news from Berlin and were more concerned with favourable domestic news, which included a statement from Washington that the National Labour Relations Board would seek court action in the labour dispute between John I. Lewis and the "captivity" mine operators and steel companies.

Dow Jones averaged at the close of the session stood as follows:—

30 Industrials 10.58

20 Rails 35.69

15 Utilities 100.00

40 Bonds —United Press.

CHINA PRODUCE QUOTATIONS

New York, July 8.—China produce was quoted in the New York market today as follows:—

Amoy Oil, per lb. F.O.B. 67.30/90

New York Oil, per lb. F.O.B. 2.00/2.50

Canton Oil, per lb. F.O.B. 0.22 1/2

Tung Oil, New York, per lb. 0.22 1/2

Sandwich, in drums, depending on quantity & quality 13.50 nominal

Agar Agar, per lb. F.O.B. 3.15/3.50

New York, per lb. 10.75/22.00 nominal

Molybdenum, (90 percent) 0.45

per lb. —United Press.

BRISTLES

Bristles, F.O.B. New York, per lb. as follows:—

Hankow, regular assortments 4.10-4.15

Chungking, regular assortments 2.85 nominal

Shanghai, regular assortments 0.20

Tientsin, 20's short 0.70

Tientsin, 20's regular 0.74

—United Press.

BLACK PEPPER MARKET

New York, July 8.—Black pepper futures today closed inactive, unchanged 100 points higher.

A sharp drop in warehouse stocks spurred inquiry in nearby positions.

Additional demand to slush business were summer vacations and the usual inventory-taking period.

A few importers seemed doubtful as to whether the reported stockpile purchase would materialise and stressed the uncertain political conditions in Indonesia.

Prices closed as follows:—

July 53.00 bid

September 54.00 bid

October 55.00 bid

December 56.00 nominal

January (1949) 47.00 nominal

February 48.00 nominal

March 49.00 nominal

May 50.00 nominal

Spot (White Market) 50.00 nominal

—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local official exchange market this morning in the following rates:—

Chinese dollars (per CN\$1 m.) 1.40

Sterling (per £100) 1.15

U.S. dollars (per US\$1) 5.41

Gold bars (per 100) 329.75

Pistons (per 100) 11.50

Siam (per 100) 25.00

NEI guilders (per 100) 45.00

NEW YORK SUGAR FUTURES

New York, July 8.—World sugar futures today closed three to four points higher, with no sales reported.

Domestic sugar futures closed four to five points higher on sales totalling 411 contracts.

Prices closed as follows:—

Contract No. 4 (World) 4.03 bid

September (1948) 3.98 nominal

May 3.60

July 3.61

September 3.62

Spot 4.00

Contract No. 5 (Domestic) 5.17 nominal

September 5.10 bid

December 5.14

March (1949) 4.90 traded

May 4.90

July 4.92 bid

September 4.93

Spot 4.90

—United Press.

REDS LOSING GROUND IN KOREA

Russian Protest To SCAP

Osaka, July 8.—American and Japanese authorities here agree that the Communists have lost considerable ground as a result of the firm stand by the occupation authorities during the Korean school demonstrations this spring.

The Communists used their strongest efforts to prevent their members from being gaoled. They presented the United States military authorities one petition with 400,000 signatures urging that the arrested Communists should not be imprisoned because they were "merely obeying orders from their superiors."

Anti-Communist organisations of all kinds are gaining ground. The latest Russian protest to SCAP, charging that the Communists have been allowed to spread their propaganda by the press, has caused wide attention among Japanese to the existence of a new anti-Communist magazine, "Shimpu"—Cyclone—which the Russian delegate, Maj-Gen. A. P. Kislenko, mentioned by name.

The new magazine, which issued its first edition last month, apparently is a counter publication to the Communist inspired magazine, "Shinso"—Truth—which came into existence soon after the war concentrating its efforts on muck-raking of all sorts, capitalist scandals and the Imperial Household.

SOVIET PURGE

The "Shimpu," which prompted the Russian protest, carries an article entitled "Inside USSR" by Tetsu Kakakura, citing a bloody purge which Stalin has been carrying on since 1945.

It also cites the Ukrainian revolt some time ago of which little has been known to the Japanese.

The magazine quotes a United Press Shanghai dispatch of January 12 as reporting that the Russians had deported a large number of Ukrainian insurgents to the Kuriles. The magazine also exposes the secret tactics of the Japanese Communist Party the gist of which is as follows:

Three years have elapsed since the Japanese Communist Party became a legitimate political party under a SCAP's directive. But the Party's functions are still covered with a secret veil. It still keeps secret the exact number of party members. The estimate is said to be 90,000. Besides these, it is believed there are 25,000 secret members never known to their leaders or even to the ordinary party members.

SECRET ORDERS

The party always issues secret orders to members in labour union factions. These party conventions are always conducted in closed sessions with an iron curtain around them.

The Headquarters of the party in Yoyogi, Tokyo, is often called "Yoyogi Palace" and its secretary, Kyuchi Tokuda, is called "boss" (Oyaji) by fellow Communists.

The objective of the Communist Party is, of course, the establishment of Communist state in Japan. But the Communists know that both subjective and objective conditions are not ripe to allow them achieve their goal by a revolution or coup d'état. So their main efforts have been to attempt the establishment of a "people's front" government in collaboration with the Japanese Social Democratic Party as is the case in countries in Eastern Europe. The tactics which the Communist Party have used since it came into existence explains it.

Recently, Ko Nakamichi, Communist member of the Social Democratic Party, through Secretary-General Inajiro Asanuma proposed a new front called "race front" not "people's front" in its party platform.

IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE

The Communist Party says that its immediate objective is to establish a socialist state as the transition step to its final goal—a Communist state. It is said that secret members of the party are found in the employment of all sorts of civil or government, industrial and commercial companies and even in the employment of the occupation forces. They are found among employees of government institutions, men of letters, school teachers and among interpreters of GHQ. The party recently succeeded in infiltrating into the Japanese police and firemen's departments and obtained a number of new members.

As it is well known the Communists wielded most powerful influence in the National Congress of Industrial Unions.

The function of the Japanese Communist Party is as "dictatorial as those of Communist parties in other countries. The "dictator" is Kyuchi Tokuda, who issues all the orders and handles all members of the Central Executive Committee and other key men of the party. These members have never been elected by votes.

CANDIDATES HANDPICKED

At the party convention held in Tokyo on December 21, 1947, the election of the Central Committee was held. The names of candidates were handpicked by Tokuda beforehand. Tokuda himself, Yohio Shiga and Sanzo Nosaka, the so-called triumvirate of the party, were announced to the floor and were approved by hand-clapping of party members.

The Japanese Communist Party makes it a policy to exploit labour unions as much as possible. It insists that labour unions are to be used only as means to achieve a revolution and that they should not be given complete independence.

The Communist Party has so far issued 319 directives to members to sponsor and encourage a "non tax" movement throughout the country and it has succeeded to a considerable extent.

Finally, the Communist Party, is also behind the so-called wildcat strikes.

END OF CAPITALISM

Regarding the current international situation, Nosaka recently expressed his opinion as follows:

Firstly, international financial capitalism is gradually weakening and will show its agony before long.

Secondly, the United States is trying hard to stop the collapse of capitalism but will not succeed.

Thirdly, Korea can achieve its complete independence immediately after the American withdrawal.

Fourthly, China will be overpowered by the Communists during 1949.

Fifthly, therefore American investments in Korea and China will be impossible which naturally will cause more American investments in Japan.

Sixthly, but American investments in Japan will benefit only a regime, not the masses.—United Press.

Australia To Save Dollars

London, July 8.—Prime Minister Joseph Chifley of Australia told a press conference here tonight that his country expected to make very substantial reductions in dollar expenditures.

"We in Australia have been striving to cut down our dollar expenditures to essential needs," he added. "We have achieved some measure of success but it is not immediately reflected."

"Our purpose has been not to draw any more dollars from the Empire Pool than we feel necessary in the interests of economy."

Chifley said that the British Government had been very generous in the matter of the transfer of the Australian and British industries to Australia. It was a matter of American and British firms either establishing branches there or expanding already existing ones.—Reuter.

The original immigration scheme for 70,000 British migrants or more a year was being accelerated and would show improvement this year.

If the necessary shipping was obtained, this total might be reached. Mr Chifley said there had been discussions on the transfer of both American and British industries to Australia. It was a matter of American and British firms either establishing branches there or expanding already existing ones.—Reuter.

NO CUSTOMS MEN ON DUTY

Paris, July 8.—Travellers landing at the main Paris airports of Le Bourget and Orly this morning escaped customs checks after a city-wide walkout of over 60,000 Ministry of Finance workers.

Mainly affected are clerks at the Treasury, the National Printing Works, the National Lottery, the Alcohol and Tobacco Control Administration, Customs and Tax collectors.

The strike, for higher pay, has caused widespread dislocation of financial life in the capital. Most Ministry of Finance offices are closed, and its main buildings are guarded by about 30 police.

Late last night, postal workers postponed their scheduled strike and asked the Prime Minister, M. Robert Schuman, to receive a deputation.—Reuter.

Powers Disagree Over Publication Of Protest Notes To Russia

Washington, July 8.—The three Western powers were in disagreement over plans for publishing their protest notes to Russia over the Berlin blockade situation, American press reports said today.

Officials in Washington, London and Paris were said to be trying to iron out the differences. The publication time for the notes, which would be published simultaneously, remains to be fixed, but seems likely to fall within the next few days.

"According to the press reports, the British and French views on the one hand, and the American views on the other, appeared to reflect different

Cows Fly To Italy



Boarding a transport plane at LaGuardia Field, New York, are bulls and cows destined for Milan, Italy. The animals will help build up Italy's war-ravaged stock.—AP Picture.

Seychelles Attorney-Gen Called "Pocket Hitler"

London, July 8.—Mr Leonard Gammans, Conservative M.P., suggested today that the British Government should adopt the principle that no territory might leave the British Empire when by doing so it imperilled imperial strategy and communications.

"I suggest that it should be the Imperial Parliament which must decide the pace of constitutional advance and not a politically conscious and vocal minority. Unless we are definite on these points we lay ourselves open to agitation and blackmail," said Mr Gammans, speaking during a debate in the House of Commons on Colonial Affairs.

He also referred to a "very unsatisfactory and potentially dangerous" situation developing in Seychelles in the Indian Ocean where a "pocket Hitler" seems to be working off his colour prejudice.

He gave no details. "Did the Government propose to send a parliamentary or any other sort of mission to investigate conditions in this very seldom visited island?" he asked.

When the Colonial Secretary, Mr Creech Jones, asked against whom the charge was directed, Mr Gammans replied: "I am referring to the Attorney General, Mr Collett, whose conduct would bear more close investigation than the Colonial Office appears to give it."

Mr David Rees Williams, the Under-Secretary for the Colonies, replying to the Debate said that Mr Gammans' attack on an officer of the Colonial Service was "quite unjustified" and should never have been made in Parliament.

It was the custom of the House that people not in a position to defend themselves should not be attacked.

Mr Gammans: "Will you arrange that I should have time in a subsequent debate to elaborate in detail what I have said?"

Mr Rees Williams: "You alleged this officer was a 'pocket Hitler'. I consider that to be one of the worst affronts that anyone can make. What has this officer done? He has been pressing landlords of Seychelles to pay their arrears of income tax."—Reuter.

Skirmishing In Indo-China

Paris, July 8.—French forces in Indo-China, fighting against the Vietnamese guerrillas, have been engaged recently in numerous local skirmishes and intense patrol activities rather than on big-scale operations, the French High Command reported in a Communiqué quoted by the French press agency in a despatch from Saigon today.

The Communiqué said the guerrillas had carried out numerous terrorist attempts, almost entirely directed at the Vietnamese civilian population.—Reuter.

RAILWAY OFFICIALS SUSPECTED

Washington, July 8.—"Suspicion of criminal activities" was raised against railway officials who as army and navy officers during the war, negotiated Government freight rates.

The imputation came from chairman, George H. Bender, who said that his House Expenditures subcommittee has asked the Justice Department whether it has checked into such a possibility.

The committee has been told by Federal Transportation experts that railroads "gouged" Government of at least \$1,000,000,000 on its wartime freight bill through operation of a "super rate-making committee" staffed by Army and Navy officers.

William T. Farley, President of the Association of American Railroads, denied the charges as "wholly untrue."

COMMITTEE NOT SATISFIED

He said that Government has never handed a bigger freight bill than it has given commercial shippers and "in most instances was charged less."

Mr Bender said however, that the committee hearings disclosed "suspicion of criminal activities" and his group is determined to track it down.

Mr Bender emphasised that the responsibility for fixing "unreasonable wartime freight rates as yet has not been pinned down. But he hoped to uncover specific cases when railroad officials who served as wartime military officers appear by subpoena if necessary—before the subcommittee next month.

Mr Bender said that he also may subpoena Major General Bennett E. Meyers, former air force procurement officer who is serving a sentence for inducing a business associate to lie under oath about his wartime activities.—United Press.

STOCK BROKERS PARADED

Shanghai, July 8.—Two Chinese stock brokers, arrested on charges of conducting blackmarket dealings in foreign currency, were paraded yesterday afternoon, according to the China Press this morning.

They are said to have been driven around in a truck with two large boards on which were written their names and some Chinese characters to the effect that they were guilty of disturbing the economy.—Reuter.

Australia Has Big Defence Scheme

Adelaide, July 8.—Australian defence chiefs believe that the vast new rocket range in Central Australia will become a main spring of British Empire security, but that the project will not be finished for about two years.

It is part of the Australian government's A £250,000,000 defence scheme.

Newsmen recently visited the isolated new weapons testing ground in Central Australia. It was the first time that the government had opened the project to outsiders. Alarmed by the atomic spy plot which rocked Canada, the Australian government pushed a stiff defence security bill through parliament in 1947 to protect the rocket range from alleged Communist sabotage plans.

THREE CENTRES

The correspondents saw three main centres:

1. A base at the wartime munitions factory at Salisbury, near Adelaide. During the war it covered eight square miles and included 1,500 buildings.

2. An air base at Mallala for test flights, air transport of supplies, and reconnaissance.

3. The Woomera rocket range itself, about 200 miles northwest of Adelaide.

A highly trained staff of guided missile experts is being assembled. They will take initial training at Salisbury, then go to England to study radar, rockets, acoustics and associated research work for two years in the British Ministry of Supply research establishments. One such group has left, and another is being selected.

Correspondents say there appears little activity at Salisbury at present. Most of the factories are empty. Many munitions laboratories have been reorganised for rocket research. The government took over Salisbury about a year ago.

DUPLICATED RESEARCH

When the range is ready, rockets made in England and assembled in Salisbury will be fired at Woomera. Mr J. H. Jackson, secretary of the Department of Supply and Development, which is directing research, said all British research will gradually be duplicated in Australia as an added Empire security measure.

Dr H. V. Evatt, Deputy Prime Minister, fathered the defence measure, which isolates the rocket range project. He justified it as an answer to an alleged Communist threat to "defeat the Australian defence policy in the interests of a foreign power."

He pointed out that the Communists had tried to engineer a trade union boycott on the project, but that it had fizzled out.

He also pointed out that the Communists had charged the project threatened the lives of aborigines in the area. This he calls in his pamphlet, "Harmful to the Nation's Defence," "smoke screen."

STRICT CLAUSES

He further says in the pamphlet that the Communists' primary objection was clearly shown in their statement that, "The rocket plan is part of the Attlee-Berlin and Chifley-Evatt policy of turning Australia into an Imperialist base. This threatens cancellation of Australia in any future war fought with guided rockets or atomic bombs."

Stringent clauses in the act provide heavy punishments for "sedition" strikes, or for any person who "advocates or encourages the prevention of the carrying out of an approved defence project."

Newspapers grumbled that the measure jeopardised their free right to legitimate comment about security. Dr Evatt denied that the bill was unwarrantably severe. He said the strict provisions of the measure could be invoked only when national defence was threatened.—United Press.

HUSH-HUSH PARLEYS

Tokyo, July 8.—The Sterling Area conference, between representatives of General MacArthur's Headquarters and the United Kingdom, the colonies, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, began in Tokyo today in an air of complete secrecy.

All the British Commonwealth representatives they had been asked and have agreed not to communicate with the press throughout the conference, which may last almost one month.

Some unofficial sources say the conference aims to build up a reciprocal trade area with Japan to the value of £20,000,000. Official sources, however, would neither confirm nor deny this and other reports.

A spokesman appointed by General MacArthur's Headquarters, said statements would be made from time to time when considered advisable. Today's statement listed the names of the delegates and said the meetings would attempt to define the nature and scope of trade relations between Japan and the sterling area, including the types and quantities of materials which would form the basis of trade.

Today's meeting appointed several working committees to conduct detailed discussions of various aspects of trade with a view to an estimate by both groups of the materials available and required by each respective area.—Reuter.

Waitress Is Now A Dr



Miss Dorothy Sell (above), 25, who has been a waitress between classes the past eight years, received her medical degree from the University of Illinois. The pretty blonde worked in Chicago restaurants since 1940 to help support her widowed mother and get tuition. Aiming to specialise in internal diseases she will intern at a Los Angeles hospital.—AP Picture.

DUTCH ELECTION RESULT

The Hague, July 8.—Well informed quarters in The Hague thought today that the new Dutch Government will take a firmer attitude towards Republican Indonesia, although the results of yesterday's general election show little change in the strength of the major political parties.

The new programme, it is thought, will be to push through the revised constitution for which it needs a two-thirds majority, establish the Interim Government in Indonesia, as quickly as possible and then support the Government in breaking the political deadlock.

Some observers here today believed that Dr Louis Beel, the retiring Premier, would be asked to form the new Government and that he would try to retain the former coalition of 32 Catholics and 27 Labour Members. But this is a difficult task and there is certain to be big behind-the-scenes manoeuvres.

The final election figures for the parties' seats were:

The Catholic People's Party—32—no change.

Labour—27—lost two.

Anti-Revolutionary (Calvinists)—13—no change.

Christian Historical Union—9—gained one.

Freedom Party—eight—gained two.

State Reformed Party—two—no change.

Catholic Committee of Action—one—no change.

To get the required majority to ratify any constitutional change, including that of Indonesia, the Coalition, with only 59 seats, will have to win the support of either the Freedom Party or the Christian Historical Union.

The Dutch Cabinet tendered its formal resignation to Princess Juliana this morning. Later, the Provincial States (the Parliaments of the 11 Dutch provinces) elected a new First Chamber of the States General. This showed no change in party distribution.—Reuter.

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